

Pyeong Yang.

Jan. 1st. 1908.

Dear Fatherdy,

To you I am
dating the first letter of
the New Year to wish
you a glad and happy
New Year with every day
full of blessing. This is
a beautiful morning with
bright sunshine upon the

snow and a still, crisp
air. How many, many
blessings we have as we
look upon the past year.
Such good times we all
had in the dear San Rafael
home, and so many blessings
we have here, - this dear
home with all its love,
our precious Jamie boy,
health and strength for

service, and a blessed
work to do. This is a
life full of happiness. -
because of the blessing of
the Lord upon the work -
because of the love of
this people and their
eager response to the
preaching and teaching.
My heart is full of thank-
fulness all the time -

Though I do not express it
half enough.

Today the gentlemen of
the Station are holding a
New Year reception for Korean
men down at the library
building - your building -
in the heart of the city.
They will have a great
crowd there and, oh, how
the Koreans will enjoy it.
That building is a very

busy place, a centre for a
great many kinds of
activity. It is the book store,
through which passes hun-
dreds of dollars worth of
Christian books, - the read-
ing room where men can
gather for quiet reading.
at any time, - it has com-
mittee rooms where Church
officers may be found at
almost any hour consult.

ing on Church affairs, and
its reading room is a lec-
ture hall where lectures
are given once each month
if possible. Sam is trying
now to buy up some ad-
joining property for possible
enlargement! We never can
provide things large enough
here - the work quickly
outgrows every building we

put up! Isn't it blessed
to have it so. ~~Stop here~~

In this respect Jamie boy
is like mission work - he
is outgrowing all his clothes.
I brought with me two ready
made suits for this winter -
one for three years, the other
for four, - and already both
are too small and I have
had to make another!

Isn't that fine? He is

so well and strong and
such a thorough boy-
though not rough at all.
You should see him coast
down the little hill in
front of the house all
alone on the new sled
which Santa Claus brought!
He lies down on his fat
little stomach and holds
on tight with his red mit-
tens and has not yet
fallen off once. I am

surprised that he remembers
so well what he did at
"Grandpa's house." He loves
to talk about how he sat
in Grandpa's lap to eat egg
and grapejuice, and helped
Grandpa feed the chickens,
and watched Grandpa saw
wood and pick oranges,
and then went out to get
the paper when Grandpa
went on the "chu chu car."
He talks about Eylet and
going riding with Grandma,

about the white bath tub
upstairs, and of how he went
"sleepy bye" on Grandma's bed,
of Miss Walker, Cousin Emma,
Mrs Richards, Sing, and Eva.
One day when playing with
some Korean copper coins he
ran up to me and said
"Mama lets take this money
and go on big steamer on
ocean over to America, see
Grandpa and Grandma."

One of his little games is to say "Now Mama you be big moo cow and I be little baby calf" and then I have to "moo" and "moo" until boy wants to be something else.

It is great fun to hear him learning Korean so rapidly, and great fun to write about him to you, though I can never tell all the dear, sweet and

funny things he says and
does.

I had such a good letter
from Aunt Lute and I began
to answer it yesterday but
have not finished yet.

Love to her and to Uncle Tom
and all the fishes and
friends, and hearts full of
love for every one in the
home from all three of us.

Your loving daughter,
Alice F. Moffett.

Personal

Home. Feb. 4th. 1908.

Dear Little Mother,

Your two letters, the last dated Jan. 13th. have made me very happy for they say that Father is well and they show very plainly you are much better - more like yourself than for a long time. Now I do hope that you will be very careful and save your strength. I have been wanting to write you about myself but did not want to give

you one anxious thought for
me. But I am so happy in
the thought of the little one that
is coming to me that I want
you to be happy too. This big
boy of ours is so strong and
active I can scarcely get him
in my arms and it will be
such a joy to have a tiny
baby there. For several weeks
I suffered with nausea but now
I am perfectly well and doing

nice in every way. I go for
a long walk between ten and
twelve every day and sleep
long hours at night. About the
first of June I expect my
precious babykins - June 7th
is the latest date I have set.
I shall make a few little new
shirts but almost everything nec-
essary is ready right now -
Dannie boy had so many
clothes. How happy he will
be! If possible I am happier

for him than for ourselves -
he is so fond of babies and
children and it will be so
good for him to have a little
sister or brother. I rather think
I am wishing for a little girlie
but will welcome a boy if
he comes! Can you and Father
suggest a name? For a girlie
I thought of Helen Hull -
wouldn't that please us all?
To a boy also we can give the
Hull for a middle name but
I should like to know from

you what you would like best
for a given name. Is there
any other family name you
would rather give than Charles?

If not I think we shall name
a little man for his dear
Grandpa.

Once in awhile Jamie likes to
play a game of "tiny baby."
He pretends he cannot walk
or talk and then I try to
teach him how to say "ma-ma-
-ma-ma-ma," and he has to be
carried around on Lin Si's
back.

We have measles all around us now, - nine cases in the community in near by houses and no telling how many among the Koreans, but so far as I know Jamie has not yet been exposed. It seems to be a light form and if he takes it alright but I do not believe in deliberate exposure.

The bill which came to Father from the Berkeley bookstore must be right I suppose,

though I thought I had
settled the full account be-
fore leaving. Some of the books
I ordered came by mail from
the East and probably part
of the account was delayed.
I am glad for every story
book I bought for Jamie -
his appetite for stories is
insatiable and I needed a
good supply. He knows many
Mother Goose tales and the
Farmyard stories about Dobbin
the horse, Lady Jane the cow,

Barney the donkey, Mistress
Fleecy the sheep, the dogs Fritz
and Midget, etc. etc. - and
sometimes he plays he is
a "Willie goat" - and then
look out for butts. He is a
great boy, Mother dear, and -
won't we be happy if we can
visit you with two children
three years from now, and a
little more. A heart full of love
to you all - Fatherdy, Cousin Emma,
Laura and your dear self.
Your loving daughter
Alice F. Moffett.

Pyeong Yang,
May 28th 1908.

Dear Little Mother,

Three letters from your own hand came almost together and I have been long in writing, since their arrival because I have been so busy and had so much company. We have had from one to five guests all the time for several weeks. Three have just left us - one remains and another is expected this evening. I enjoy it but it means a good deal of work because my cook is not efficient. It was so good to have

letter from your own
hand once more. I hope
the stay at Burke has
seen a more rapid
gain and that you
are gaining flesh also.
Our new bedroom and
nursery with the extension
of glass windows is
completed and we are
enjoying the rooms, of
course much. Some one look-
ing at the rooms from
the outside said "Oh what
a lovely place you will
have for flowers!" But
I don't expect to have
other blossoms in those
bright sunny rooms
than our Jamie boy and
his little sister (?) when
she comes!

Jamie is as brown as
a little nut and as
well and strong as
ever. He is climbing
trees and fences, sliding
down boards and coming
in with great tears in
his clothes and immense
holes in his stockings
just as a regular boy
should do. When the
afternoon is warm I
have him come in
about three for a long
drink and a little
rest, and then some
times he says "Please
Mama I want some
grape juice my Grand-
ma sent." And then
we put just a little
grape juice in his

glass of water. He is
growing as fast as ever.
Janik has a sweet
little voice for singing
but he likes best to
sing with the Koreans.
When I play and sing he
inserts upon listening
and will not sing with
me at all, but he will
take a Korean hymn book
and sing with the women
for half an hour at a
time. He is very fond of
flowers. Every day he
brings bunches to me
from the field or garden
and at meal times al-
ways wants flowers on
his own little table.

The package of articles
for which I wrote to

Laura arrived safely by
parcel post and
everything is just
what was wanted. I
am sorry dear Father
had to go about after
any of them. I did
not think of making
him trouble. Thanks to
everybody who helped in
sending them.

I wish you could
see the little layette
which I have ready.
There is very little of
lace embroidery and
ruffles but still all
is dainty and pretty
in baby blue and white.
The box for clothing has
a little sliding tray and
is all lined with white.

- The toilet basket is lined with white Korean silk over pale blue and the basket crib is all in blue and white. We are all ready for the little girlie and oh, how happy we shall be.

Sam is exceedingly busy these days - both teaching in the Seminary and erecting the new building.

Mr and Mrs Baird with their two boys William and Richard expect to leave next Tuesday for their furl in America. They sail on the Hong Kong Maru are due in S. F. about the last of June and

expect to visit Mrs Baird's
mother Mr Adams in
Oakland. I do hope
you will see them
while they are there.

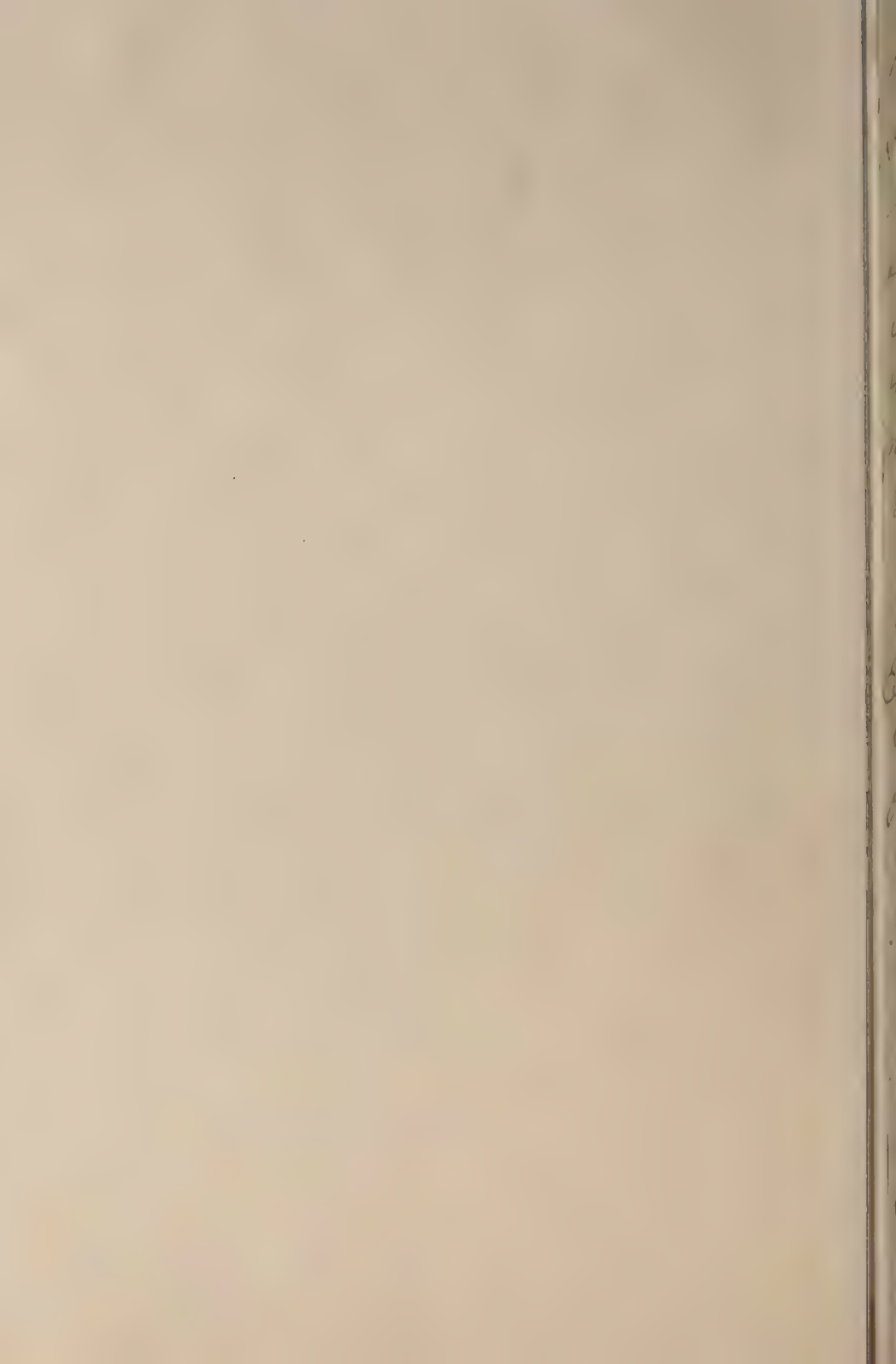
Mrs Shabrocks will
probably know Mrs
Adams address.

Now my letter writing
time is over and I
must send this at
once and see to the
dinner for we have
extra company tonight.

I am very well ex-
cept for a little stomach
trouble much of the
time.

A heart full of love
to you all from all
three of us

Your loving daughter
Alice F. Moffett.



San Rafael June 15th 1908

My dear wife - You cannot imagine what I experience when I come to D.M.E. and find an empty house. Emptied of people and not even a kitten to speak to. The only consolation is I have no one to fall out with except myself. An old lady in Virginia used to say if it were not for hopes hearts would break. I live in hope and so I am not quite comfortless. I went to the Chinaman and got the clean clothes I sent to the Library and left the book box to the office in the City and left it in a bowl full of water I had a load coming home and slipping it over and plant it tomorrow. I have finished my hour sawing wood and it is after 9 P.M. so I am about ready for bed. I went through the books at the office and found exactly how much the salaries of the officers were reduced. The reform Committee took \$250. from my salary and cut other officials. All I have to say is it should have been done long ago under the circumstances but I was not anxious to propose such slaughter because I had more companies that ~~at~~ must

any one else and would consequently be left
in good condition for an easy living. I am
President of four Companies some of which I
have held for 33 years. The business has
been carried on at a loss ever since the Big
Bonanza was exhausted from which we took
140 million dollars. When dividends ceased
the mines became assessment propositions
and the owners had to pay assessments in
order to keep the mine going and pay the salaries
of the officers. We cannot afford any
more broken legs in the family or diamonds
and fine clothes for ourselves or children
but we can get along on \$200. a month
and not go naked or hungry. Steve Armstrong
& daughter proposed a visit to the Fish family
next week and I wrote him a straight
forward letter suggesting they visit a while and
come when we can entertain them. The Trans
portation Company down there offered a round trip
to San Francisco for a single fare - that was the
reason of the proposed trip. I told him to come
if he thought best but his visit with us would
be very unsatisfactory as I should keep up my visits
to Burke. You'd have wearied me & I will remain
down the Crocker's you dearie Floz Emma & Mary

Pyeongyang Korea

June 13 1908

Dear Mother:

You must have
the first letter written telling
the glad good news of the birth
of another grandson by Alice's
Choice called Charles Hull
as being the name which
she wishes to carry into the
next generation the precious
thoughts of dearest Fatherdy.
We are a happy family in your
new rich blessing and Alice
and the baby are both doing
beautifully. He is a seven pound
well formed fully matured baby
and is making Alice supremely



happy by the way he is tugging²
away at her breasts.

He arrived 5 minutes before
12 o'clock last night and so
reached us on June 12th.

She had an easy time of it
with a remarkably quick delivery
it being but two hours from
the first symptoms to the birth
of the precious little boy.

She had a good deal of pain
for some hours afterward with
more than normal loss of blood
but by six o'clock this morning
was quiet and doing very very
well. She certainly is remarkable
and we have so much to be
thankful for.

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I do wish you could have
seen and heard Jamie boy
this morning when I told them
and took them in to see the
baby and Mama. He is oh
so happy over it. It will mean
so much to him.

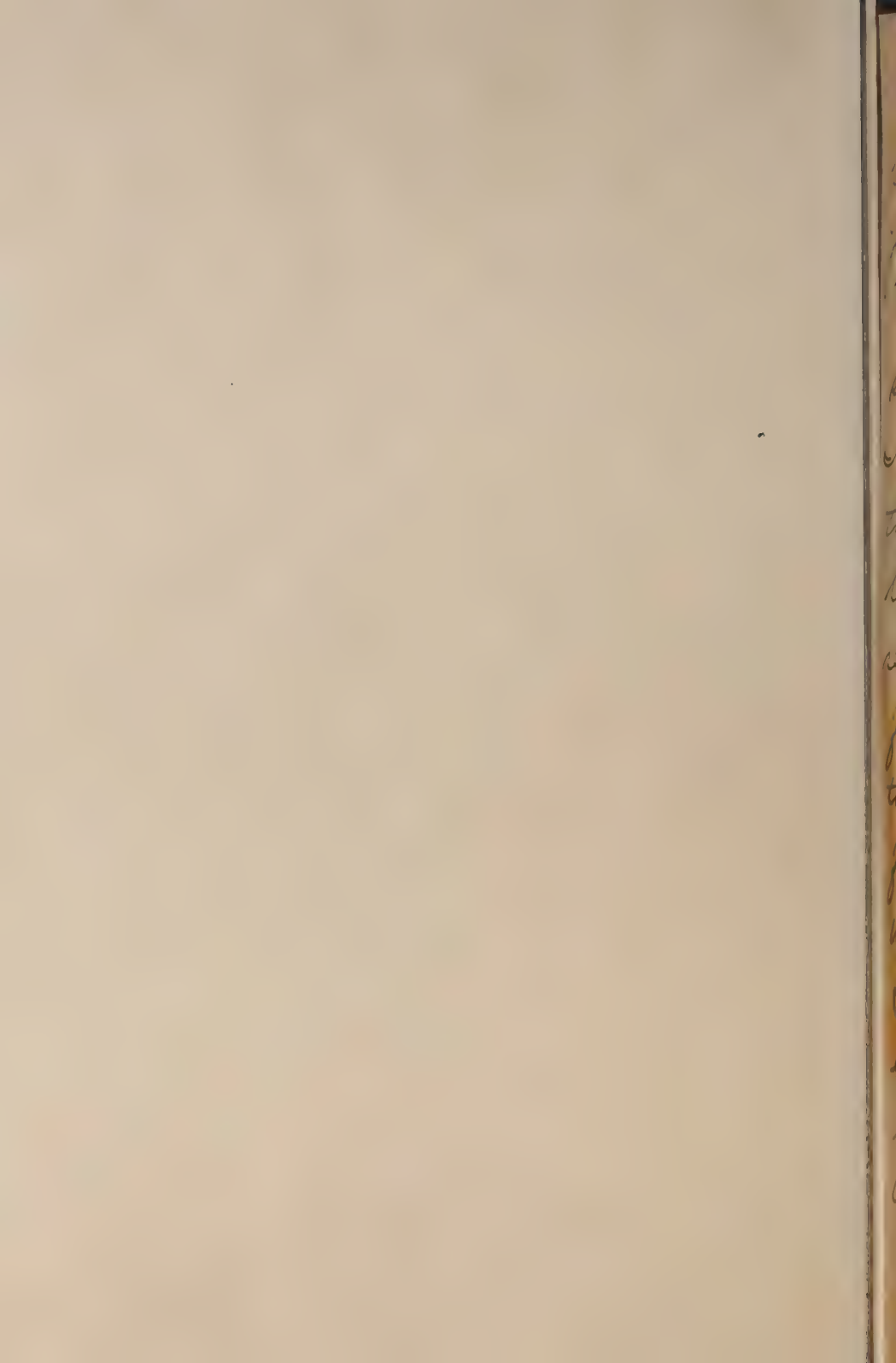
I will keep you posted as to
how all goes.

How deeply thankful we have been
for the way in which the Lord
watched over and kept you through
all your long serious illness.
Not for some little time did
we realize how critically ill you
were but from the first news
we were much in prayer to our
loving Father that he would
care for you. When the letter came

which should me how very ill⁴
you were I should have planned
for Alice to go home if she
thought best, but could not do
so on account of her own
condition.

Now the Lord has graciously spared
you and has brought Alice safely
through her ordeal also and with
the good news you send of Father's
health and of Cousin Emma's im-
provement surely we ought to
return thanks from most sincere
hearts.

I want to write you and Father
as I have not done for while
I know Alice writes fully of all
our home affairs I want the
personal touch with you which



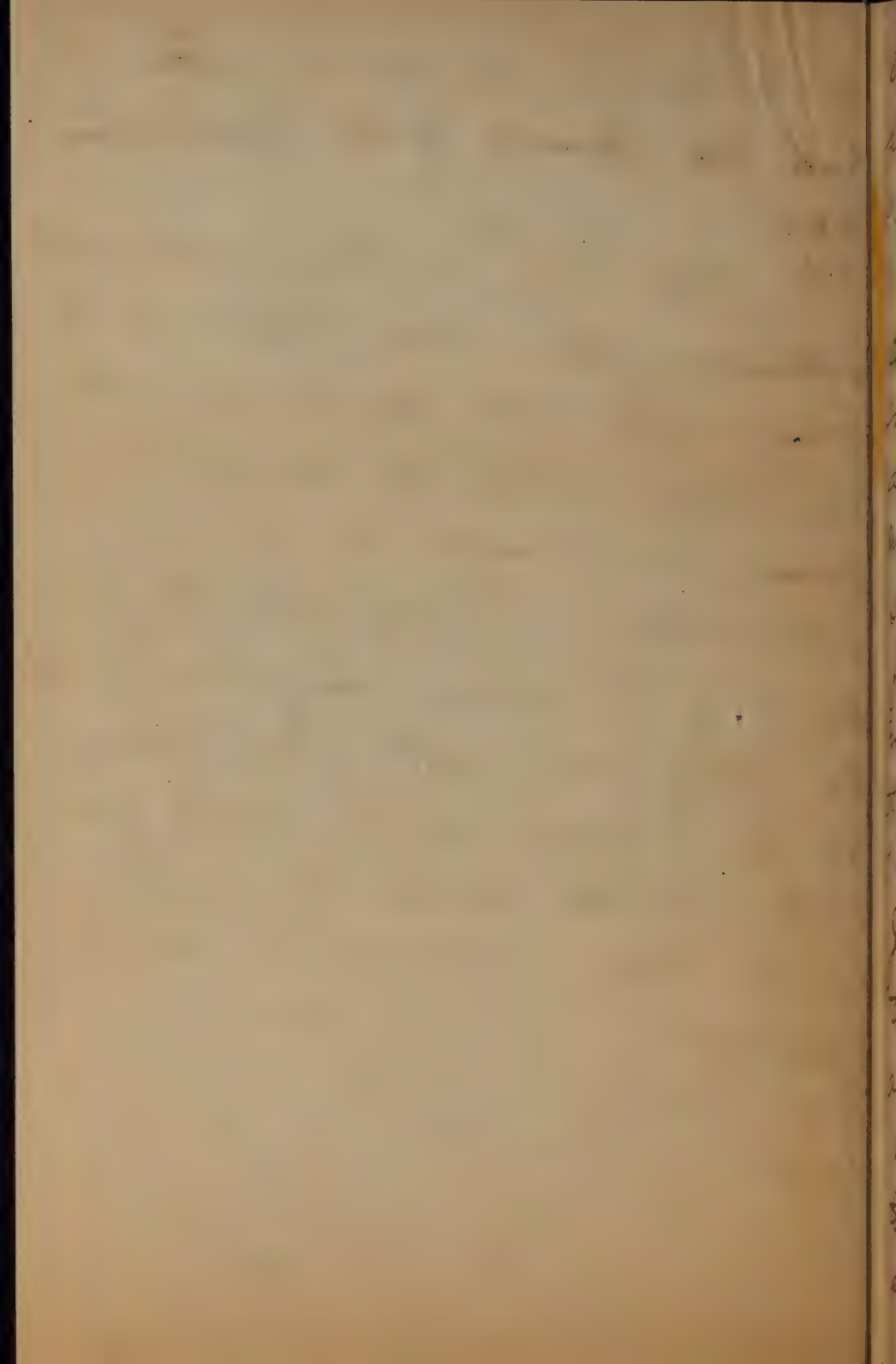
I appreciated so much when I had the leisure of the furlough year.

This year has ^{been} I think, the most strenuous year I have had and I have not yet caught up with the things which I unavoidably became responsible for upon my return here. Trouble with my eyes

for over two weeks has given me the first real rest of the year for as I could neither read nor write I was forced to rest.

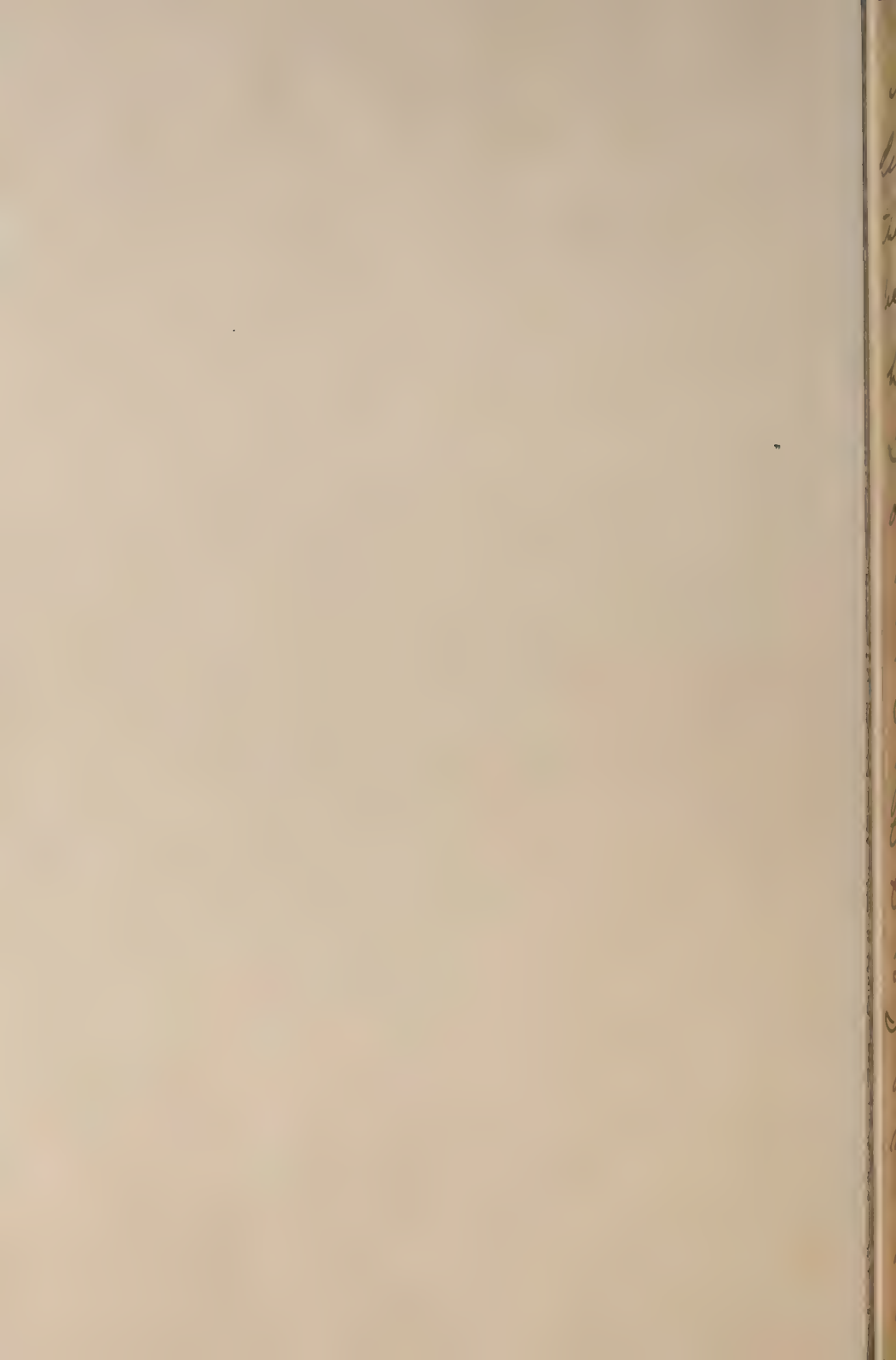
I am now beginning to use my eyes again and they seem all right but I shall need to be more careful of their use than I have been wont to be.

This is the first real letter other

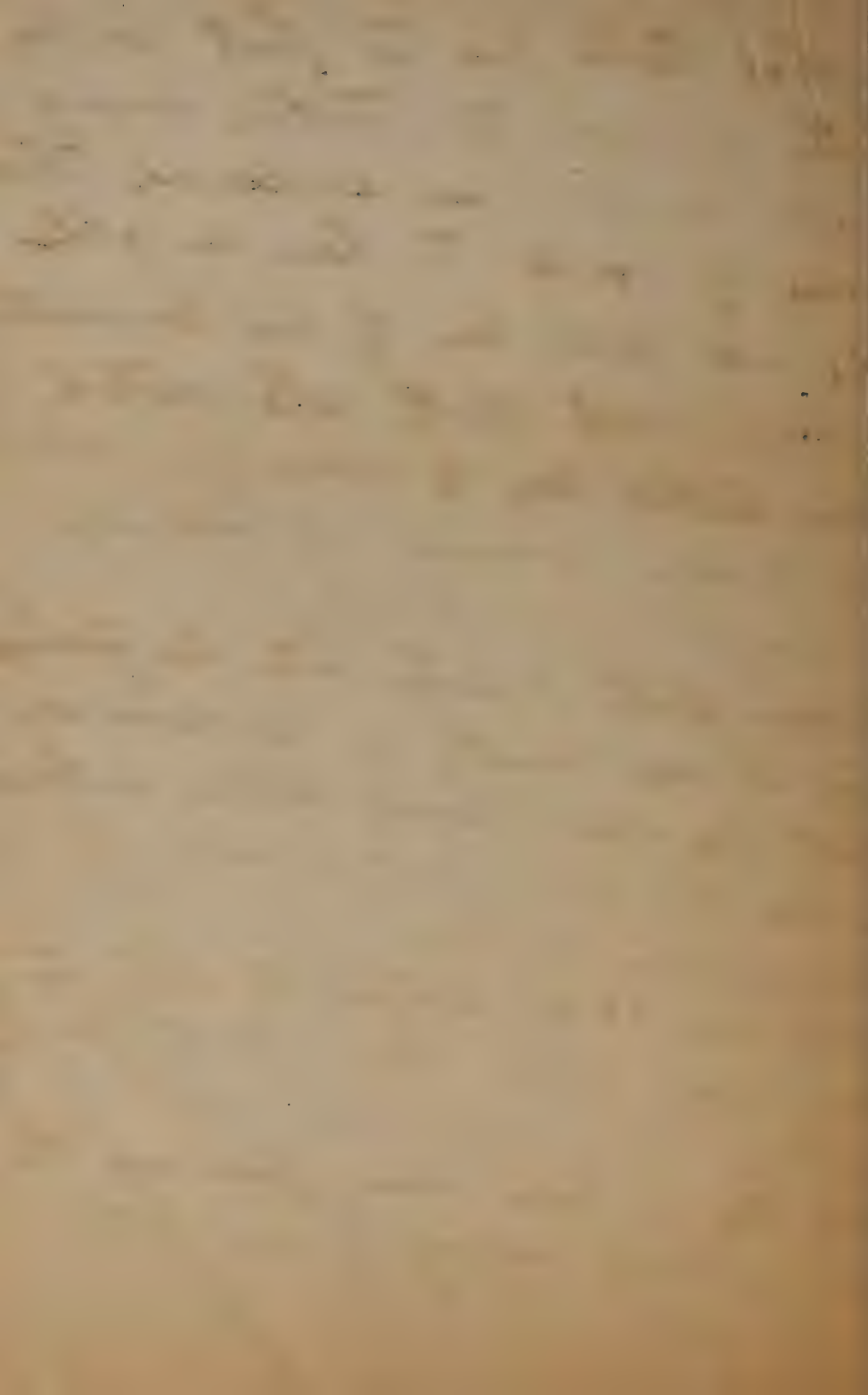


than business notes which I
have written for three weeks
except as Alice has written for
me. I have however been able
to plan the Theological Seminary
work so that it has not suffered
and I have kept up my end by
means of work already prepared.
In another two weeks we shall
finish the term and then I see
my way clear to a respite from
the too arduous demands of this
past year.

Jamie and I have just been in
to give Alice some chicken soup
and white of egg. She is resting
nicely now. Jamie wanted so much
to go in to see her again and said
so pathetically "I love Mama so much."

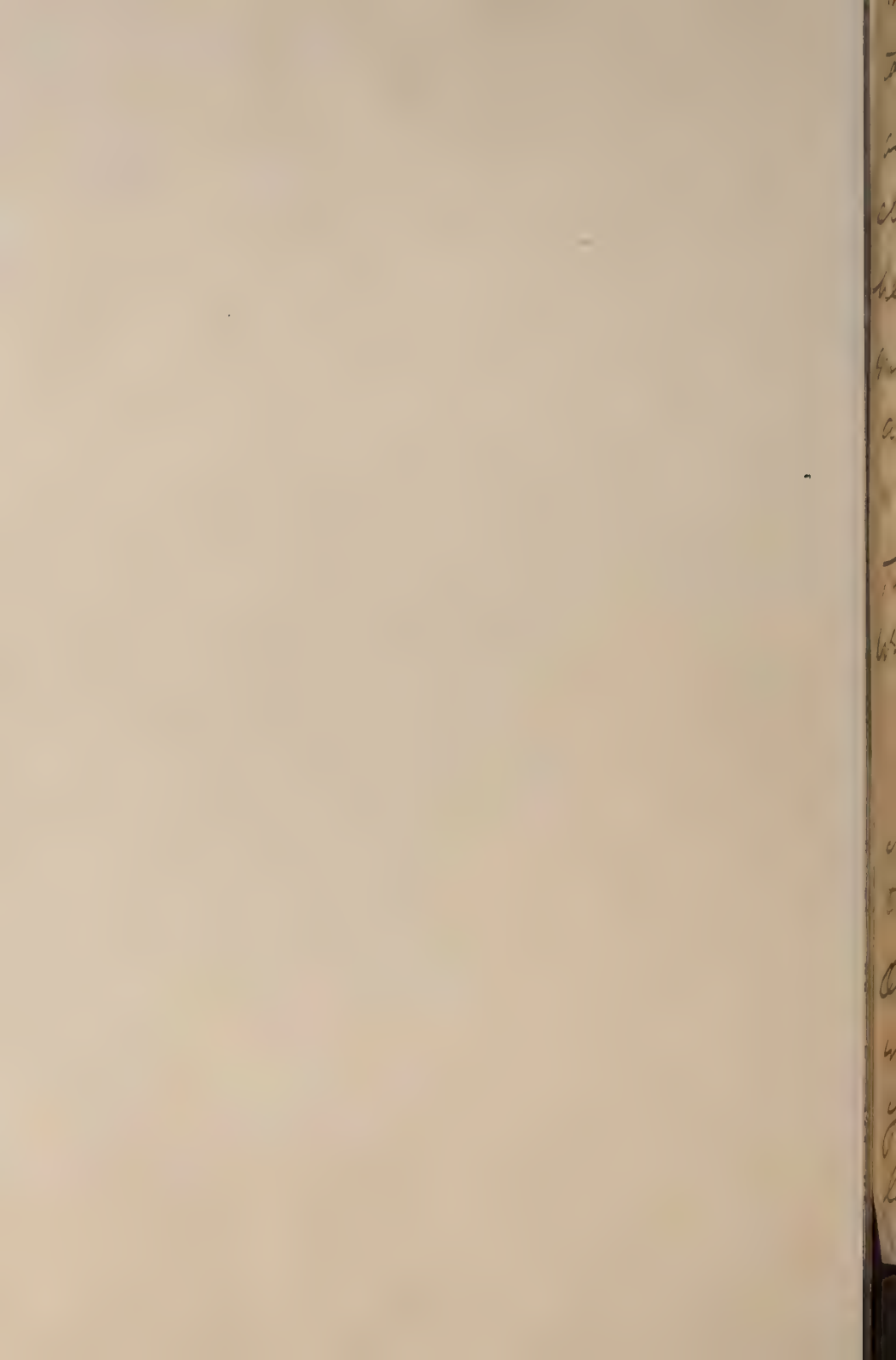


Alice tells me to put in my
letter a word to Father saying
that he had so endeared the
name of Hull to her by all
he had told her of his Grandmother
Doreas Hull that she wanted
our little boy to have the name
of Hull because of Father's
loving thoughts of it.
How fully I enter into her feelings
for it was exactly in the same way
that my own blessed Father endeared
to me the name and memory of
Grandmother McKee.
How we shall delight to talk to
our boys about their great grand
mothers whose names they bear.
May they in turn have from us the
same loving memory of our Fathers
and Mothers.



Jamie at my side says "I want
to tell Grandma that I got a
little baby" Indeed he has and
when this morning I said to him
Mama is so glad and Papa is so glad
he spoke up and said "I am so glad
too." He is such a fine bright little
fellow, sturdy and well, and such
a joy to us, and now we have
two boys.

With hearts full of love from
all your children and grand children
affectionately your son
Samuel A. Moffett.



Jun. 28,

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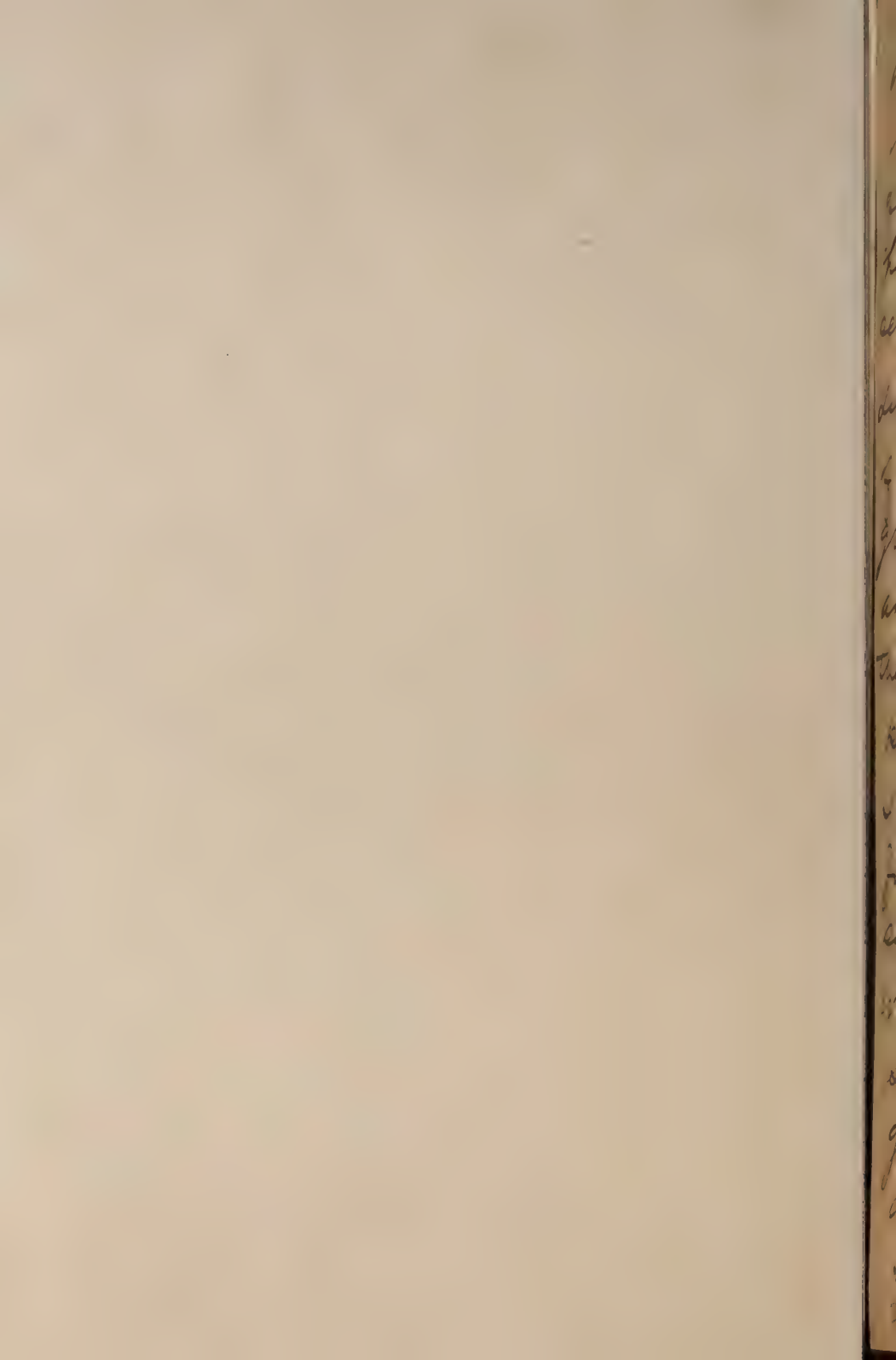
never sick. Charles promises to
take after his father in strength and health
and in his ability to eat and
sleep. She has not all the milk
he calls for and so supplements with
modified milk. She has however
a pretty good supply but he is
a large eater.

Three babies arrived here in one
week. Charles Bernheim June 10
Charles Hull McAffee " 12
George McAffee McCune " 16
All are doing well and we have
three happy households.

Our thoughts and prayers are much
with you in your suffering and in
your enforced inactivity. I think the
letter is often the harder to endure

but we are hoping to hear ^{before} very
long that you have recovered the
use of the limb and are about
again.

Miss Strong has left us for a while
having gone to Chai Ryles for a
visit with Mr. & Mrs. Koons.
We are entering now upon our real
hot weather but until two days
ago it was delightfully cool.
Jamie has just come in and says
again "write Grandpa about me
got a little baby" and tell
Grandpa about Mama got for
me somepin pretty, some shoes"
referring to his new sandals which
came a few days ago. He wants
me to go with him out on the front



Such to see "sowpin pretty"
which turned out to be a number
of books his mother you been with.
pictures in them. They are the first
series of "Young Folks Library of Choice
Literature" by Educational Publishing Co
of Bromfield St. Boston. He is to
grow up with them for a year or two
and will probably learn to read from
them. I expect Cousin Emma will

know what they are.
I have just been in to get a message
from Alice for you and found her
sitting up in the nursery with her
wrapper nursing the baby.
She says "Tell her I have just
given baby his bath on the fourteenth
day. all goes well"
She is a pretty happy mother with her
two boys.

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Another week and the year work
closes. Then we have a little time
for rest or for working at all the
odd ends which have been neglected
and then comes Annual Meeting which

meets here Aug. 20 to Sept. 1st.

I expect to take Jamie up the river
for a few days on a house boat

to fish and swim. That will
cause you to realize that he is

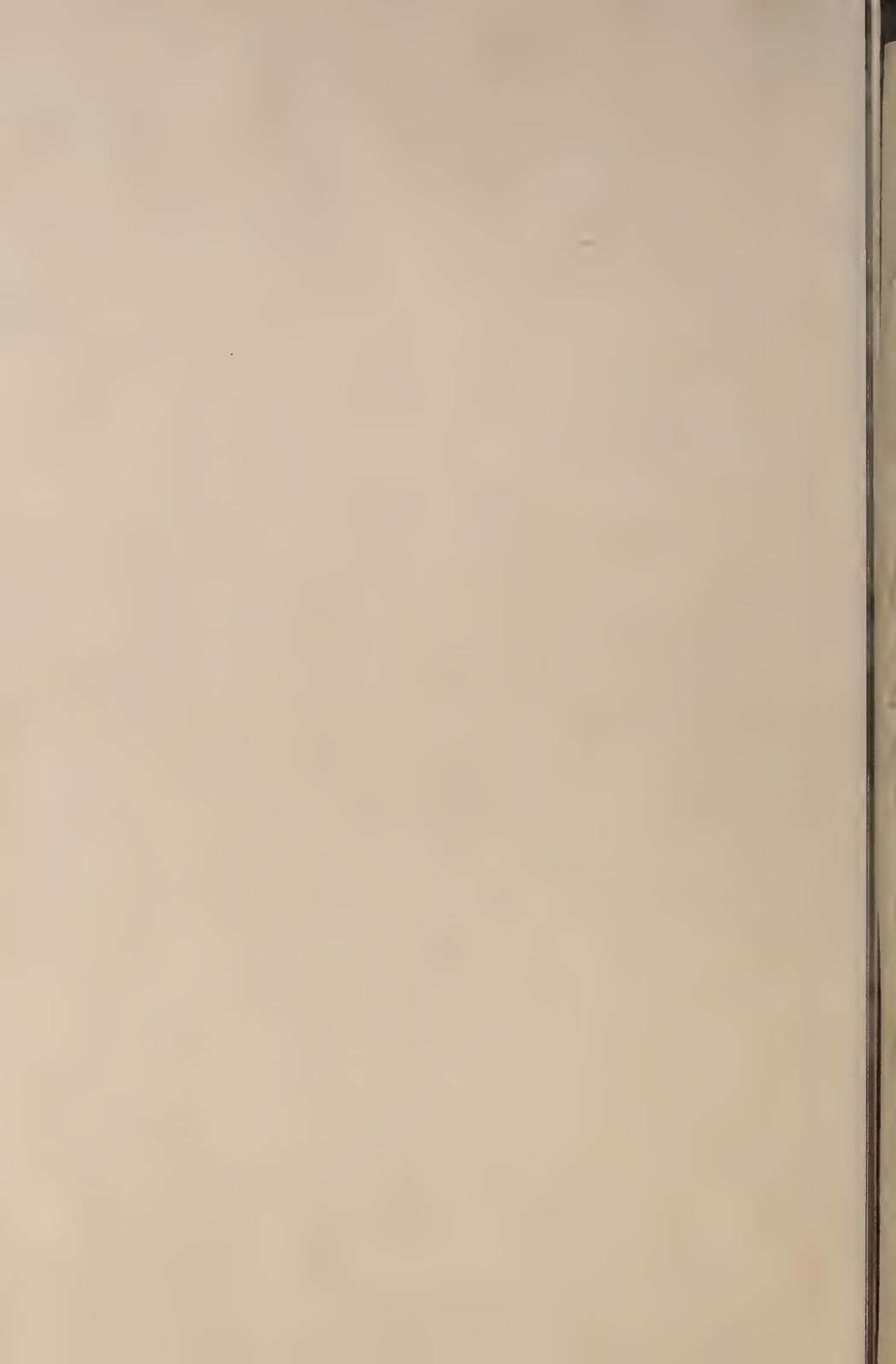
becoming a big boy.

With love from all four of us to

Grampa Grandma and Cousin Emma

and Miss Walker

Affectionately
Your Son
Samuel A. Moffatt.

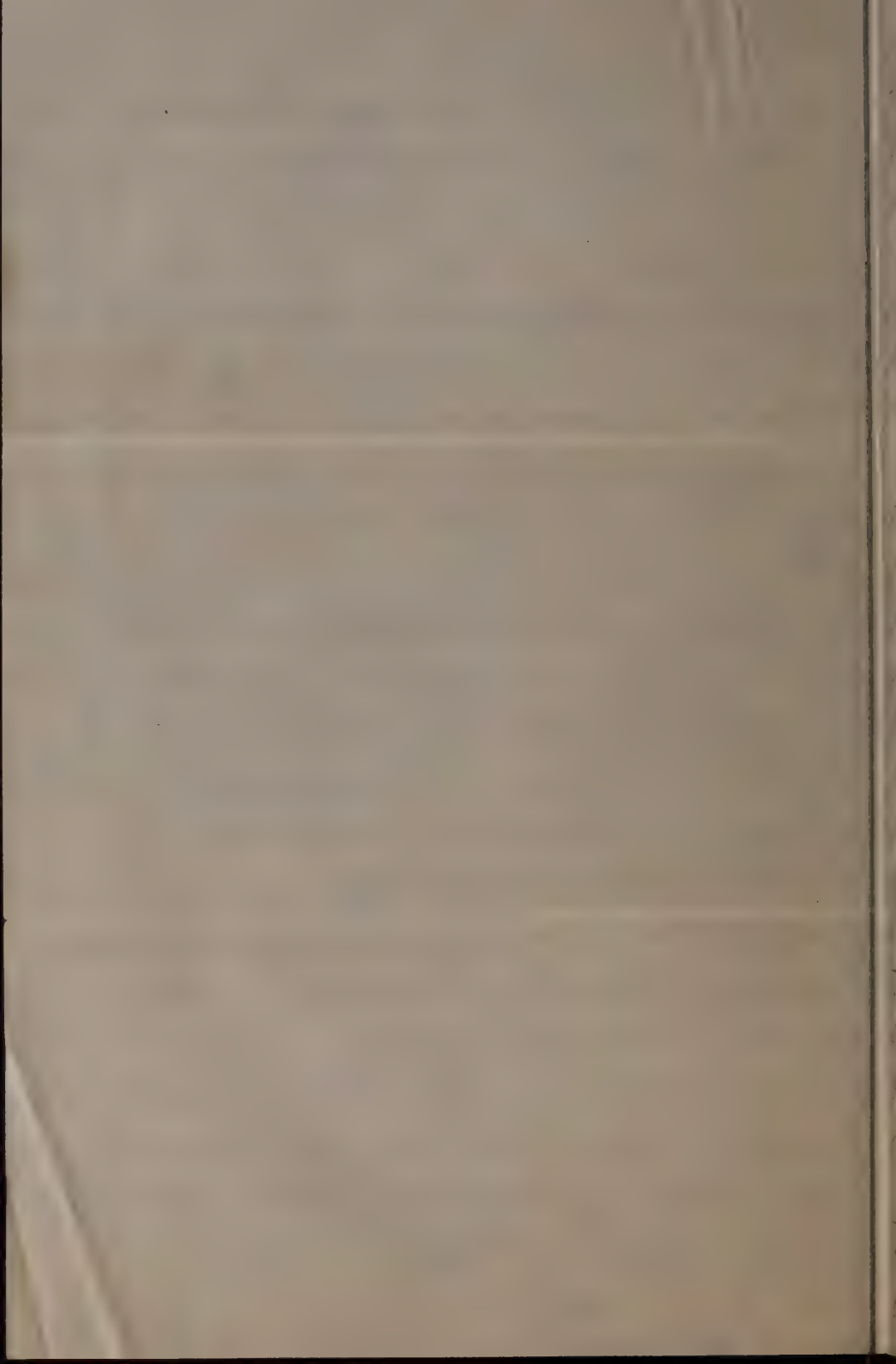


Home Friday June 21st

My dear little Mother,

It was the fourth day after Baby came before I knew of your accident, and then it was from your own letter inserted on the tenth day. The first letters of mails dropped out entirely. I don't know what to think about it when the news first came. It seemed so hard that you should have this injury when physically as little able to bear it. But we know there are no real accidents to the child of God. We agree are about you and we will give needed grace and endurance.

I hope your system has



how to "hunt" better than mine
did. I've twelve weeks was
not long enough for me
to wait. I am disappointed
in thinking that by this
time you can work with
more ease and freedom.

Sam has told you about
our precious baby and
that all is well with
us. I am feeling very
well, thank you. Should
like to get up and go to
work but am going to be
lazy for a time and
gain more strength.

Baby Charles weighs 14 lbs
this morning at the end
of the second week. He
is strong and perfectly
well, and oh he is so
dear to cuddle. Jamin
touches him so tenderly
and such a beautiful

comes in his eye, when
he catches little brother.
We are very, very happy.
You shouldn't expect us, say
"our boys." They will get
more and more to each
other with each month, and
year. Baby Charles is
already helping in the
training of James.

Sam warned me that this
letter must tell you
chiefly that I will write
you another time! I
shall need to be very
careful of Baby, and of
my own strength, also,
through these hot days.

Love to Cousin Emma, a
heart full, and to poor
lonely Fatherly, and your
overdew self, from all
four of us.
Your Alice.

July 6 (3), 1902

Dear little Mother, -

I have the strangest feeling about the home letters these days. I long to know how you are and yet I dread to read and think about you in this time of long inactivity. Cousin Emma's first letter telling of your injury was finally returned from Hong Kong where it was misseped.

I wonder if by this time you are in the dear home again and able to go about somewhat.

I know so well what it means - it brings

back my own experience as
I think of you. Mother
do you think I ought to
be at home to help you
both? I can go now
and I want you to say
the word if you think
I ought to be there. Of
course the children fill
my hands pretty full
so that I question if we
might not be more of a
care than a help. But
when you want me
and the children, know
that we are ready to
go to you.

Baby Charles is doing
nicely. 9 lbs. at three weeks.
He frequently announces

loudly that there is not
enough to eat in this
place to which he has
come. I am still nursing
him but cannot satisfy
him during the day so
rather than trust to cow's
milk in the summer we
are trying to get a
good wet nurse. This
nursing did so much
for Jamie boy that I
want nothing else the
first few months. Baby
is very different from
Jamie boy - I think he
will be a thorough
Woffen and very much
like his Papa. So you
see our boys are properly

mixed up as to names
and likenesses. Charles
is fairer than Jamie was
because his eyebrows and
lashes are light while
Jamie's were dark. His
hair is but "down" and
he has a little v on
his forehead as Jamie
had. His eyes are dark
blue now but will change
doubtless. They are much
smaller than Jamie's. His
nose is large for a baby
I like to see a high
bridge on a baby's nose
— not a mere knob.
His little mouth and
chin are sweet as
can be. The tongue

say he is the image of
his Papa and that he
already wrinkles up
his forehead in just
the same way!

How thankful I shall be
if both our boys can be
kept well through these
hot summer months.

I think Sam will take
Jamie for ten days on
the river in August
while I stay here with
Baby King. It would be
more work than rest
for me to take Charles
out at this age. How
glad I am for the
excuse that Jamie
ought to have the

river trip. Sam would not go a step if it were not for him, but Jamie can give his Papa a much needed vacation. Our Annual Meeting this year will open Aug. 24th. Then after Sept. 1st perhaps I will take Charles and go for a little change.

I am very well now and feeling almost perfectly strong again.

Good night, my dearie,
We all four send love to Grandma and Cousin Emma.

Your loving
Alice.

Dear Alice

Dear Sam and Alice

to all your love

you in your happiness
the new traces in the time
the cunning little card and
the little Mrs. the
first continuation I had to
in event so it was a complete
course. You are little things
an extra kiss and squeeze for
his Aunt Susie. Dear Alice I
can't think of you with you
only in your arms and your
arms to be leaning on your knee
and then standing. Love you

in the group with the small
-lark with in his eyes.

Well, like her. I'll send you
and I'll write my husband and
my mother, little ones. It shall
expect a picture of little Charles
from him. Charles is a very
brave in the Muffet family, but
it is a good name and a little
one and will another in a family
name. I'll send the real name.

By the way, I'll send you some
and I'll send you the Muffet
I'll send you had a day at Muffet
and I'll send you the Muffet
Muffet. I'll send you
I'll send you with me and I'll

and ~~with~~ to the base round
I brated myself and family for
a few days with me. I shall
I shall always thank you for
one of the most interesting ex-
periences of our (travelling) eighth
month trip abroad. Our trip
was a pleasure for having
to end and will continue to
be a pleasure for the rest of
my life. And I am ever underneath
all the pleasure there is a deep
sense of thankfulness for in kind
a blessing to us as a family. We
can not sight seeing all the time by
any means - ^(during) the six months in (certain)
our family life was merely in-
terrupted and we spent ~~the~~ time,

Went out almost every morning
trading around. He had lessons
to read and to think and to say
one another. I soon showed my
Latin in order to help him with
Caesar and I really was able
to help him much to his delight
and my own satisfaction. He is now
teaching his Latin and Geometry this
Summer and will enter the 3rd
year at the York Bayou High
School in Sept. After much changing
of plans it is finally decided that
we will make our home in York
Bayou. Haynes's own children
Katherine Helen & John eleven now
are spending the month of July
with us. Haynes & Mr. Kautz are

man, for a little while.
He has for some days ~~been~~ in
Maurice's pleasant home in Irving-
ton on the Philadelphia
road. It is such a pleasant
place. He has the little Carrie & Paul,
a sick one and I am taking
things easy. He has come to
work every afternoon and I see
tea and Scotch short bread, which I
smoke for Edinburgh, one the
such every afternoon.

I sent a box of short bread to
Miss Gordon Gordon. He used
to visit me sometimes at Edinburgh
when he was a boy.

So many things come to my
mind about which I should



to wish - you had it - I should
never have in the delights - of
my little walks in the Lake District
of England and of my walks in
Parisian London. Their small
to see and to say better and
you know I do not write long
letters - I get out of the habit the
other years of my residence at
Lancaster House and have never
yet had equal to the effort
since. With love to all from
me for all from of us

Your affectionate Sister

Maria M. M.

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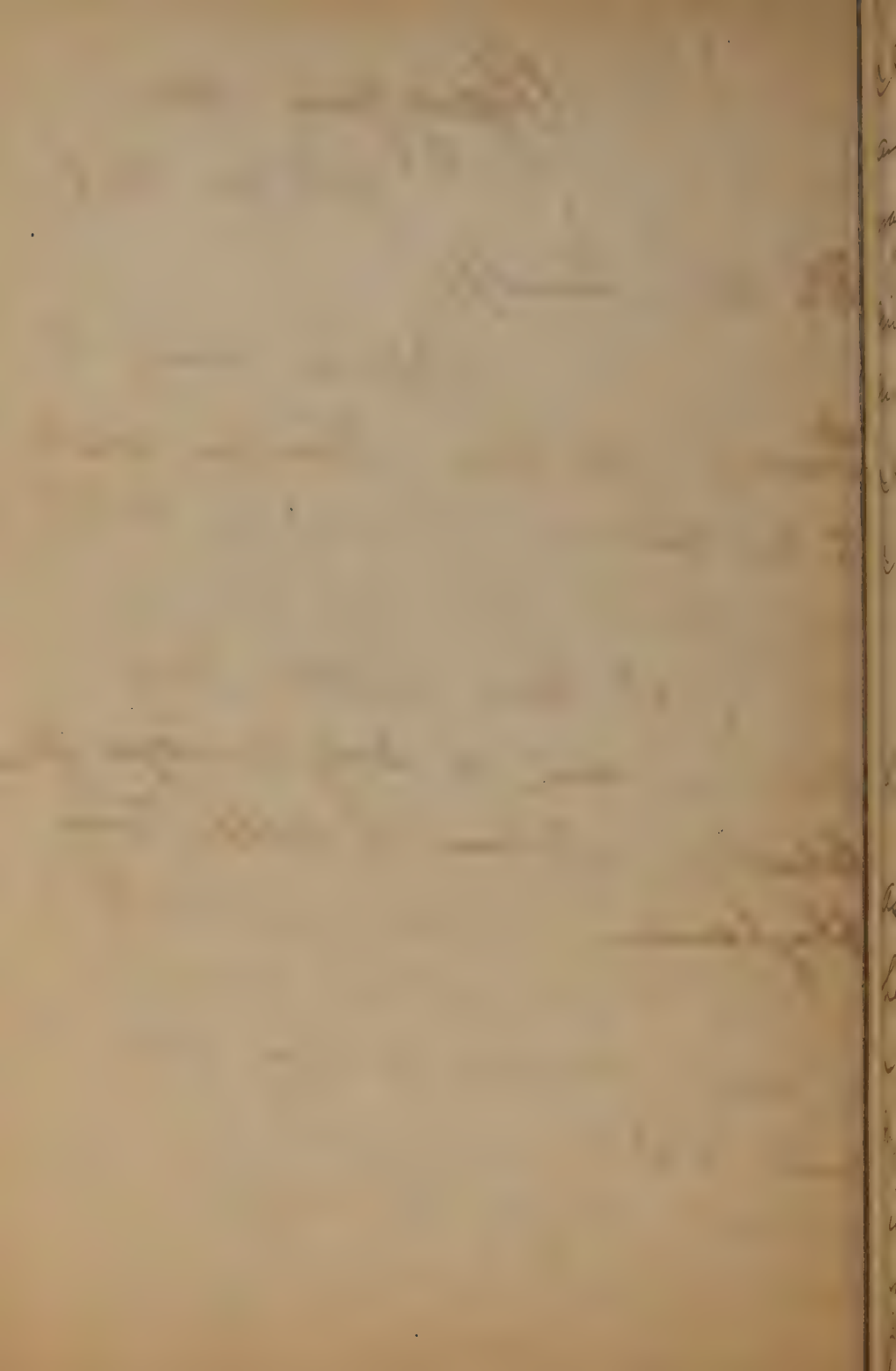
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My Dear Grandpa:

Papa is writing to
Grandpa for me. Grandpa write
to me please. I have a kite
and thank you ^{Sye Pano} for the
kite. I have little baby
Charles and a baby carriage for
Charles. I have a little tiny
playhouse. I want a little
rubber ball please grandpa.

I want grandpa to pray God to
make Grandma's leg well.

I want to go over there on the
boat to see my horse Eyelet



I have some little baby goats
and they just eat milk this
way [accompanied by a forward pushing
movement of the head and an upward
movement of the mouth and nose]

I have darkey [the big black cat]

I love you please grandpa

Jamie

Dear Father

The above is just
as Jamie dictated to me - altho
he said "I've got" instead of
I have - repeating it properly after
my correction. The line of thought
is his own and his signature
is his own choice - to my surprise
for he usually says his name is Jamie
(OVER)

The "thank you" and the "Please" were nicely put in of his own accord showing he is learning the lessons which we have had to teach him pretty firmly this last week.

He is a happy boy and just now says to me "You tell grandpa about me - about James" and "little Charles" and about the line in the other room and "little baby's clothes"

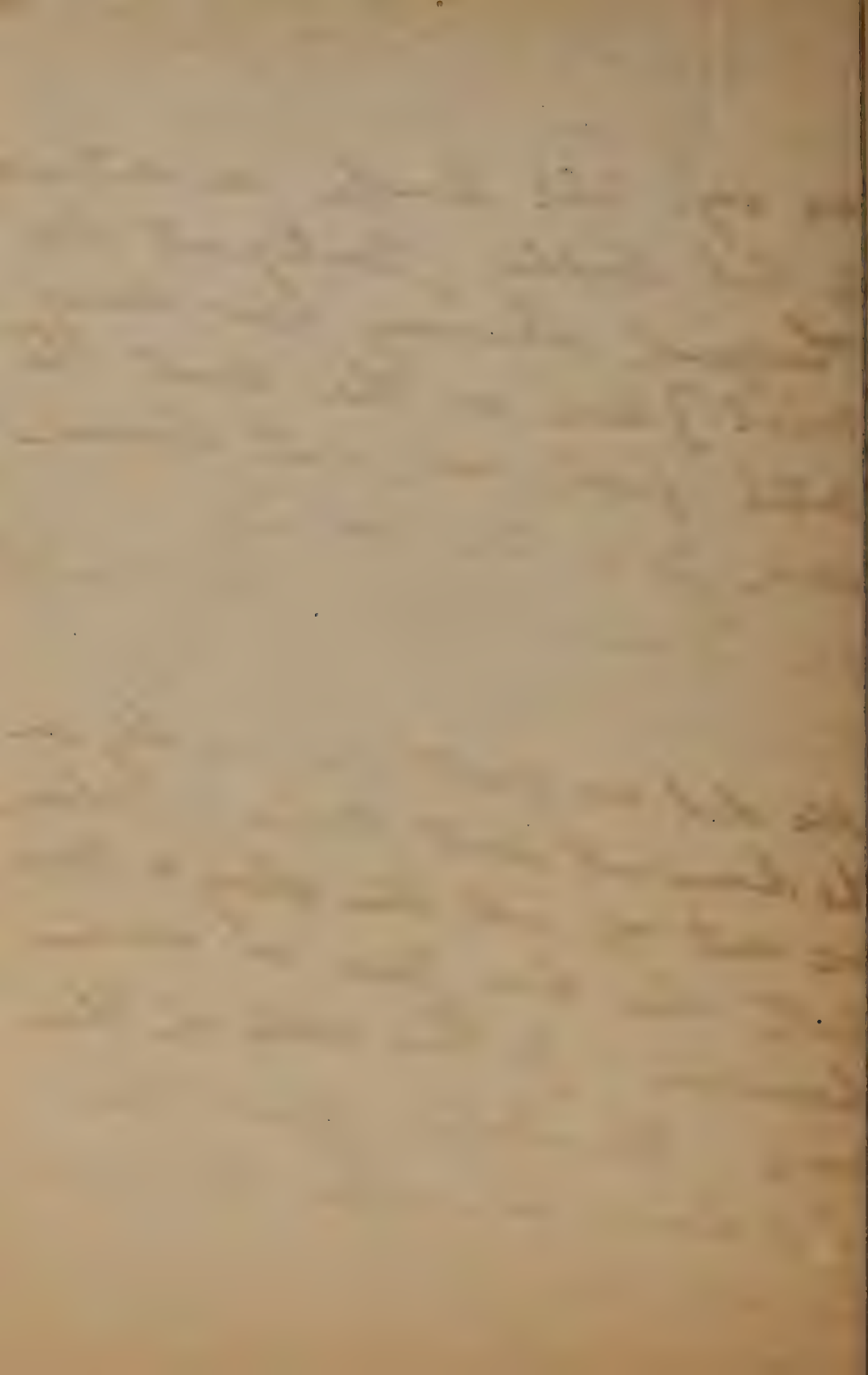
[He has been greatly interested in the clothes line of baby's things hung up in the "Den" to dry - because of the rainy season rain which came on last night and today

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He and I are having great
times together these days.

He says tell Grandpa we went out
to that building [pointing out the
Theological Seminary now being
built] and on the boat to
catch fish and eat dinner
and go in the water.

When I asked shall I tell Grandpa
that, he replied "and Grandpa!"

He did so greatly enjoy a day on
the houseboat last Wednesday when
we went up with Miss Stealy + Miss
Butts who has gone on our
houseboat for two weeks up the
river. We started off with them
had dinner and supper, played on
the sand-bar and game table on



his bathing suit and went in for
a great time in the water. I wish
you could have seen him try to
swim when I put my hand under
his chest. He struck out at once -
just like a frog. He came down
before dark in a skiff and how
he did enjoy telling Mama about it
all.

We expect to go out together again
in several days after the 1st of August.
We will celebrate your birthday
on the river.

He says "I want to go over
where grandpa is. I didn't see
grandpa again." "I see grandpa
and come back and tell Mama
about it."
You see I am letting him water -



to date as he wishes.

He has gone now to talk to Alice
about this letter to you

We are eagerly awaiting further letters
telling of you and Mother. Our prayers
more earnestly than ever commend
you daily to our Father's loving care
and we are trusting that we shall
soon hear that both of you are
in better health.

It is something of a problem with
us as to what is best to
plan to do.

If Mother should not soon regain
the use of her leg so as to be
able to move about it would
seem that Alice ought to be
with you and yet we fear that
with the two children both of whom

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are such energetic noisy lads whom
she cannot lean behind she would
hardly be much of a help and the
children would interfere seriously
with your quiet and rest.

Just what to plan is a question
and I think Alice wants Mother
to write just as she feels about
it, standing ready to do whatever
you may think best.

Baby Charles is thriving, gaining half
a pound each week so that he will
soon be a ten pounder. Alice is
pretty well and standing the loss of sleep
and the active care of two lively chil-
dren better than I expected her to.
I am glad Charles is a summer baby
for now that the year's work has closed
and I have a little leisure I can
give more time to helping in the household.

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We are greatly enjoying the addition ⁸
to our ~~parlor~~ and Bed Room.
They are now so roomy and airy
and so conveniently arranged.

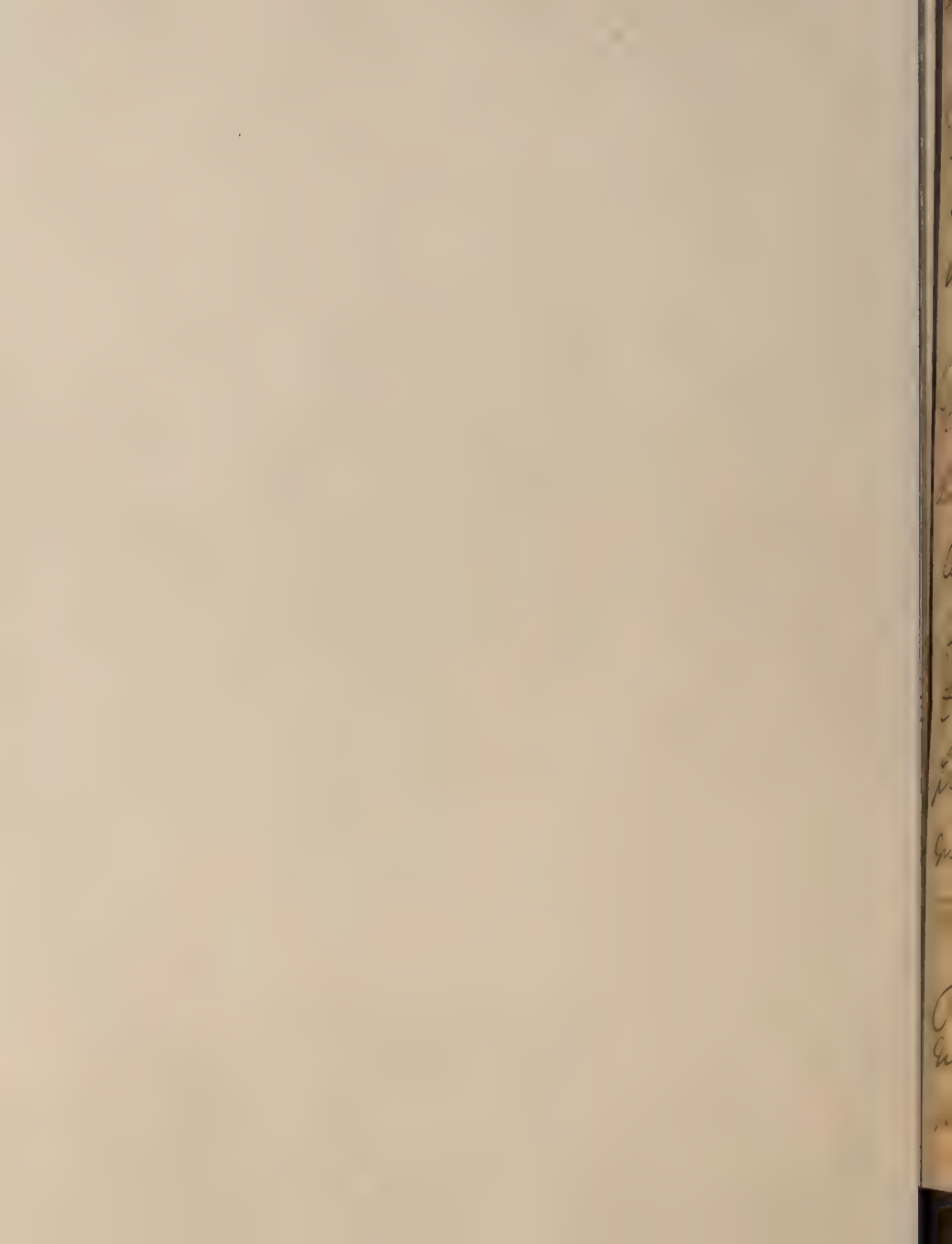
We have been sorry to know of Uncle
Tom's long continued illness and
of Aunt Lute's accident. You seem
to be having more than your share
of pains and aches just now.
What a fine move for April that
he becomes Dr. Coyle's assistant in
Denver. That brings him much
nearer home just when Uncle Tom
will be glad to have him more
conveniently near.

We have been having a great work
this year. and I have been even
more busy than ever if that is possible.
The work grows larger and larger and

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the opportunities greater and greater.
The Far East is undergoing tremendous
changes, the full effect of which will
be felt a few years hence.
I rejoice with you in the results
of your Chinese work and in the
additions to the Church from among
them. They are the great people
and to have a share in evangelizing
that nation is a privilege indeed.

If you see your friend of the
People's Place - Mr. Fiske, please tell
him that his gift of \$25.00 and that
of the Children has been made to do
good service in helping to provide a
Bible woman, in assisting in the work
of the North Church here in Peking Yang,
in providing lesson sheets for some of the
women and in helping to secure an
organ for the Academy. He may be
glad to know that it has helped out

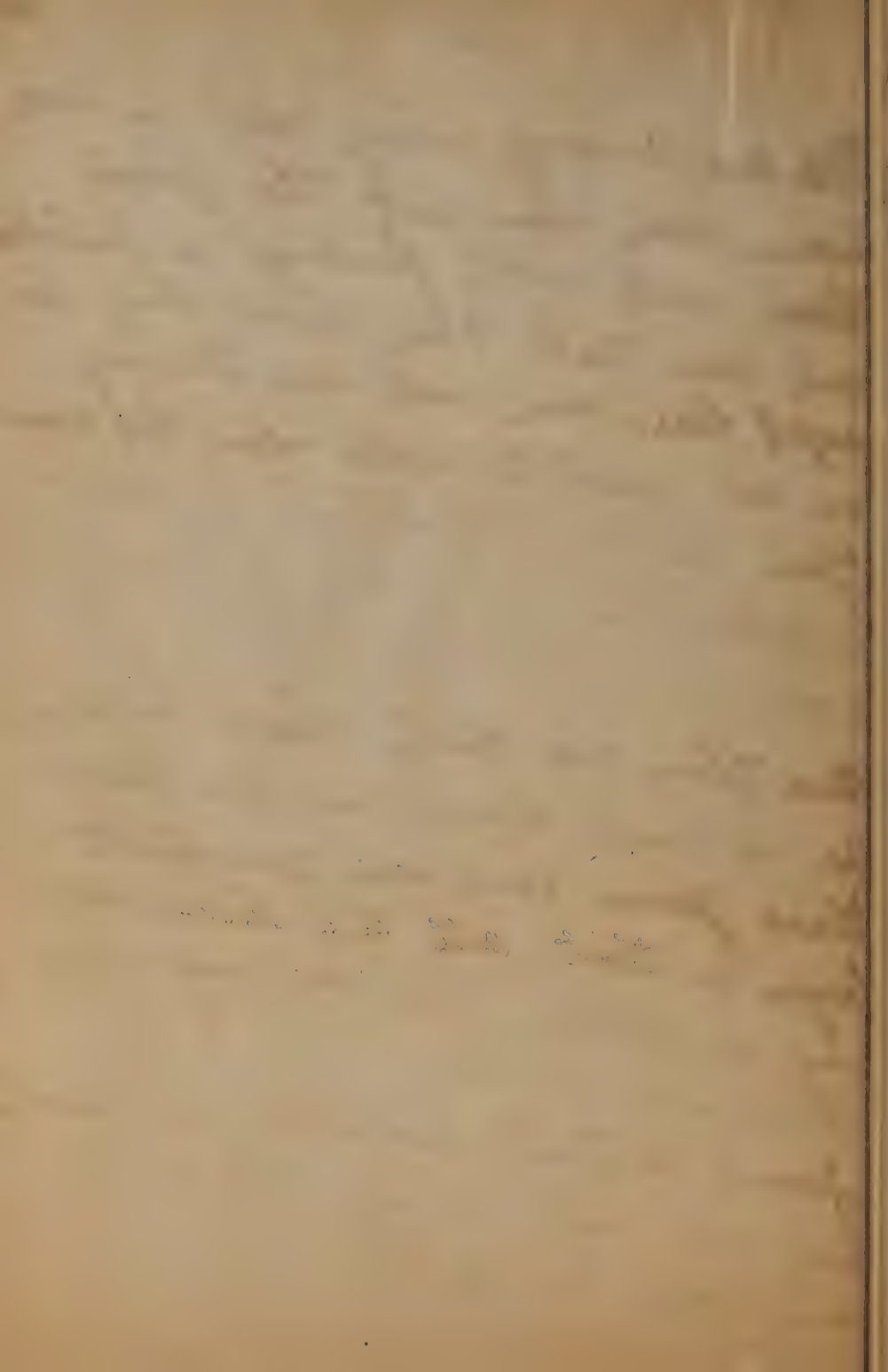


in so many kinds of good work. 10

We are moving along nicely in our home and now that the first year's work after furlough is finished and now that the new baby is safely here and all are thriving we are ready to enter upon the new year in the expectation of being a little less busy and of having a little more time for sewing.

Our plans are pretty clearly made for a visit home in less than three years and our constant prayer is that all the Lord our may be spared that we may enjoy that visit together.

Jamie certainly remembers you and now we want Charles Hull to know his grandfathers.



We all send lots of love to
You and Mother, Cousin Emma, Uncle
Tom and Aunt Lute

Affectionately, Your Son

Samuel H. Moffatt.

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Pyeong Yang,

July 27th 1908.

Dear little Mother,

We have had heavy rains with freshets and landslides on the rail road so that mail has not come through for some time. When it does come I hope to hear that you are at home again and equal to a little exercise.

How long the time seems that you have been inactive. I long to hear details and yet dread to think of all you are going through.

I wish I could take "the boys" and step in to be with you, but then you see I should want to take all three of my boys - I shouldn't want

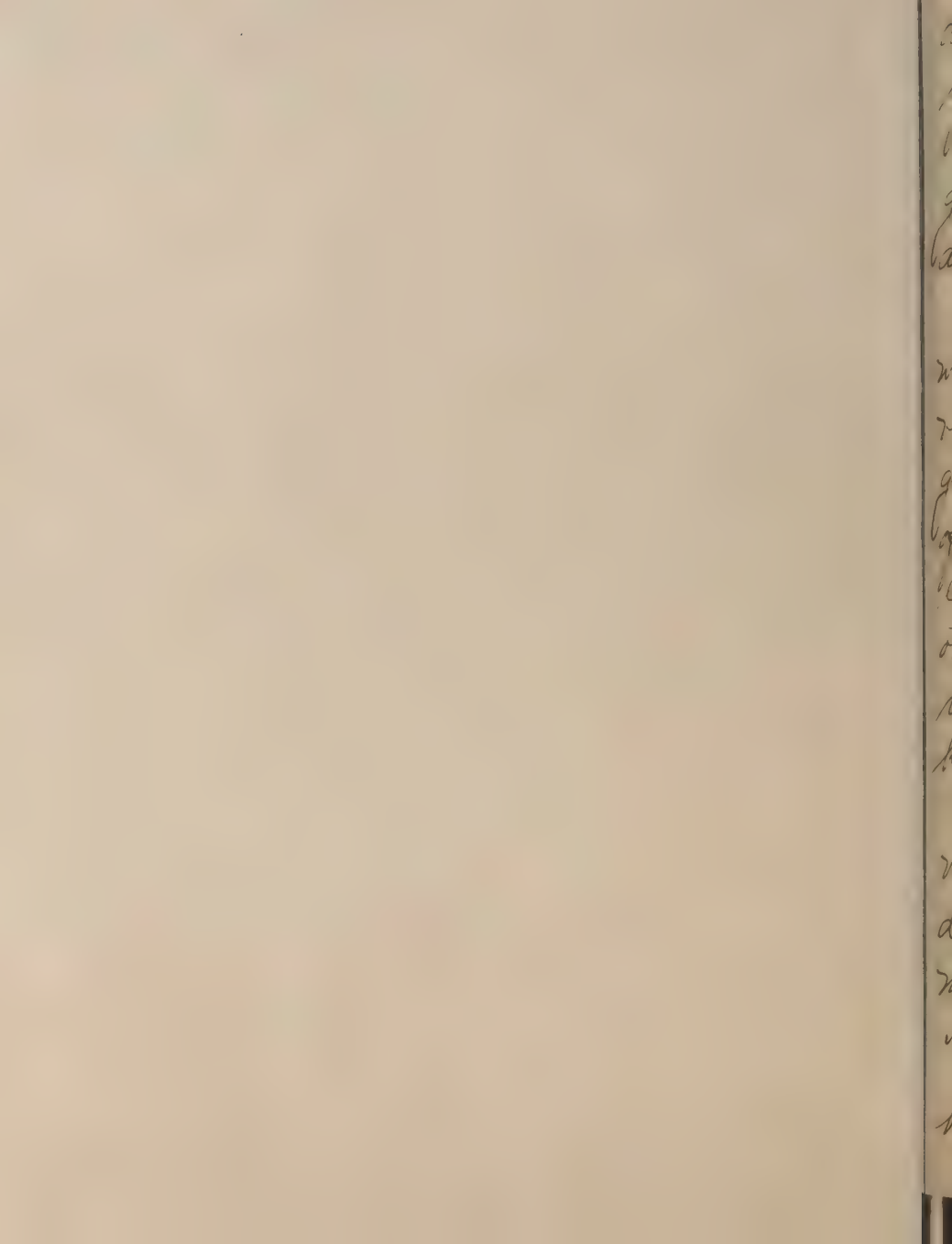
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to have my biggest boy at home. Jamie says I have four "boys" from Grandpa Charles to Baby Charles.

Babakins weighed 11 lbs last Saturday, a gain of four pounds in six weeks. He is beginning to smile and crow and "talk" and, oh, how he does make his arms and legs fly for exercise. Sabbath evening as we gathered about the organ for Jamie's songs, Papa with Baby in his arms, Charles was just delighted with the music, & he looked, and listened and smiled, and expressed all the joy a tiny baby can. Jamie said, "When baby gets big will he talk to me?"



"Yes, and you will teach him how to talk, won't you?"

What do you think he will learn to say first?" I asked, thinking he would reply "Papa" or "Mama."

But he said "God," I'm going to teach him first about God."

In another week Sam will take Jamie for a vacation on the river. I am glad that he has the excuse of taking Jamie out for I could not get Sam away otherwise and he needs the rest very much. The Koreans besiege them constantly here.

The days and nights are very hot. Baby spends all day on the veranda from morning bath to bed time. He has been an outdoor baby from the third week.

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At night his basket crib stands under an open window and I cover him as little as possible. I keep on his little shirts and bands but he wears only a thin slip besides these! I think it is easier to care for a summer baby provided his stomach is alright.

Jamie wonders if Grandpa will write him a letter. I said I felt sure Grandpa would send him a little letter which he can keep always.

What a pleasure it is to write to you about the children. But now I must stop for this time.

With much love to you both,
Cousin Emma and Miss Walker
from all four of us,

Your loving daughter,
Alice F. Moffett.

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Pyung Yang,
Aug. 13th 1908.

Dear Fatherdy ^{and} Little Mother,

Your letter when you heard of Baby's arrival reached there Aug 3rd. What a quick round trip it was - from June 13th to Aug 3rd. And where do you think we were when your letter came? Out on the river, in our house boat! I thought I was doing well when I took Jamie for a river trip at four months, but Baby Charles went out at seven weeks for 3 1/2 days and we all had such a good time. Once we took him out and put him down on a flannel blanket on the warm sand under an

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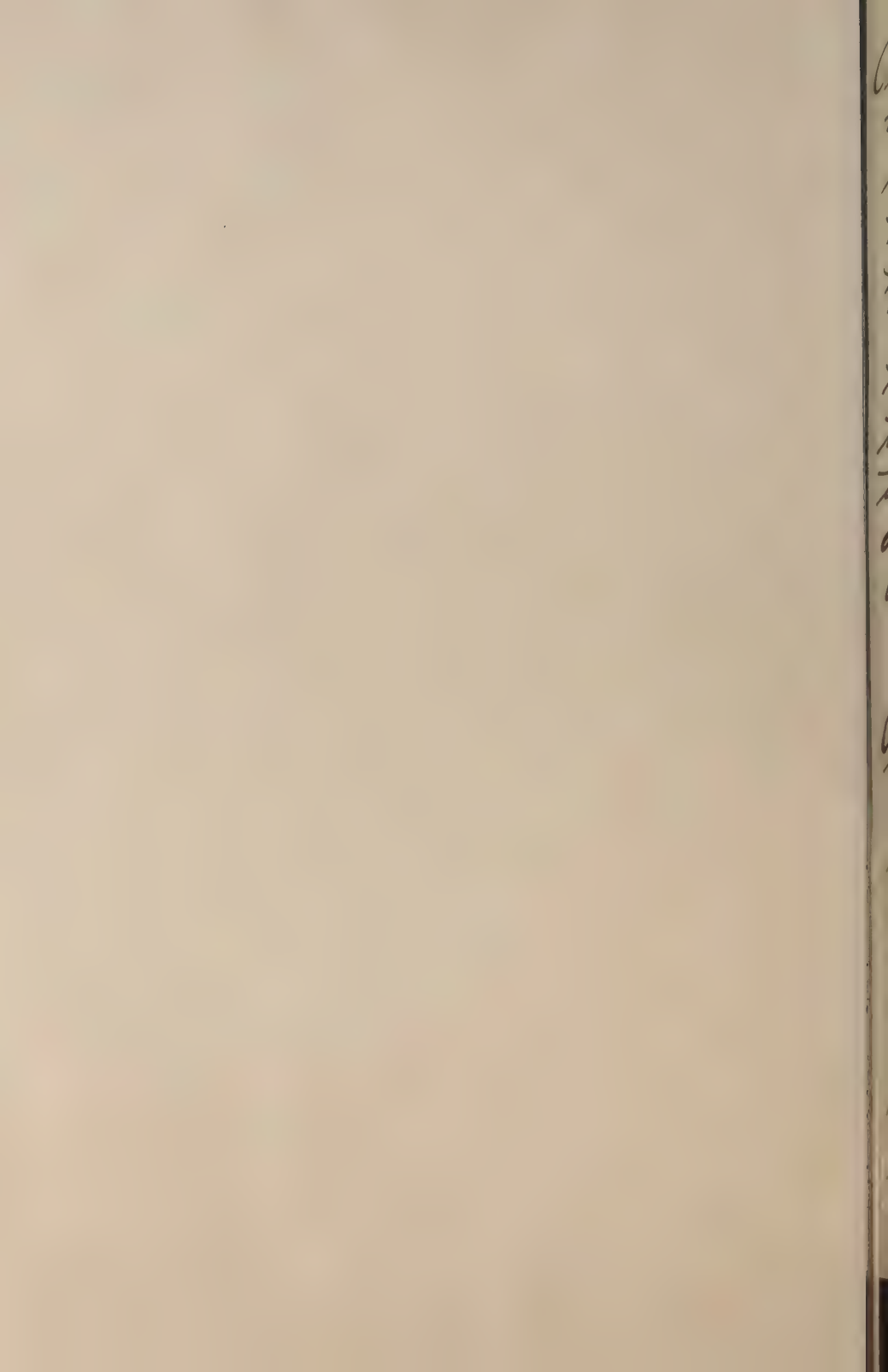
Dear Mother
I have just received your kind letter
and was glad to hear from you
and to hear that you were all
well. I am well at present
and hope these few lines will
find you all the same. I
am writing you a few lines
to let you know that I am
still in the land of the living
and that I am still your
affectionate son. I have not
much news to write at present
but I thought I would write
you a few lines to let you
know that I am still your
affectionate son. I have not
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affectionate son.

umbrella and he kicked and
cooed with delight. Surely it
did him good to sleep, and
eat and bathe and live in
the open air. I was called
in to attend a serious case
in Dr. Velli's absence. The
Bumheisel's baby, just two
days older than ours, has
been very ill. He could
not find the proper food
for him - though we tried
the best wet nurse we
could find - and he
has been going down stead-
ily till he weighs half
a pound less than at
birth. It makes my heart
ache to see him. We have
been fighting for his life
day and night. Now we
have another wet nurse and
there is a change for the

better. We are so thankful
for the mother's sake that
the greatest anxiety is re-
lieved. She gained the
victory over rebellious feel-
ings and gave her baby
to the Lord. Now we think
she is to have him back
again. I come home every
time from that baby's
sick room to look at
our own precious boy and
thank God for his health
and strength and vigor.
Yesterday at two months
he weighed $12\frac{1}{2}$ lbs and
he is such a comfortable,
fat, strong, happy baby
he is a constant delight.
We have a splendid wet
nurse for him, a Christian
woman from the country.
Her own little boy died

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but she says "I know he
is with Jesus and I shall
see him again." How good
to hear this from a woman
not long ago in heathen
darkness. Cha Si is a
great blessing to Baby
and to me. But she is
here at sacrifice to her-
self for she left four
children at home and
I do not expect to hold
her as long as I should
like. The Koreans cannot
say "Charles" at all
clearly so we are begin-
ning to give Baby
"Carl" for his pet name
at home and with the
Koreans, but outside I
want him to be "Charles"
rather than Charlie.
I hope the boys will use
their full names as they

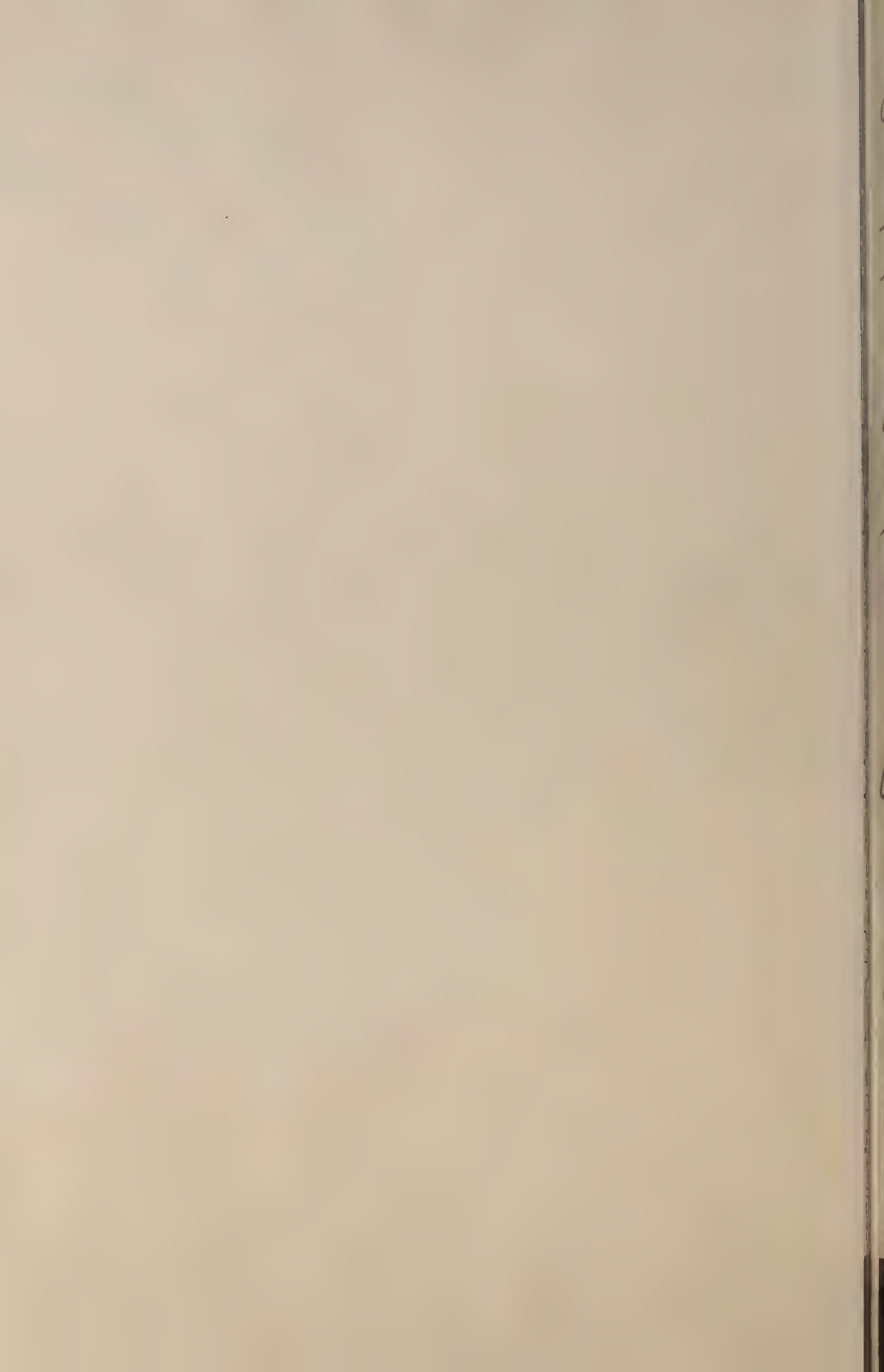


grow up - James McKee ^{and}
Charles Hull - while at
home they are Jamie and
Carl. We debated quite a
while over Baby's middle
name but I wanted the
"Hull" so much I could
not give it up. It brings
to me all that Father has
told me of Dorcas Hull
and my own memory of
Aunt Ruth and others.

Papa Sam and big brother
Jamie are still up the
river having a beautiful
vacation. Jamie boy is
reveling in the water.
Papa gives him a little
support and he strikes
out like a little dog or
froggie, paddling for
the shore. I expect
them home next Monday
the 17th. - then in a

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few days Annual Meeting
will begin and I
shall have a family of
18 in all till the
last of the month. So
if I do not write you
will understand what
it is. Mother's first letter
from San Rafael has just
come and oh how it glad-
dens my heart to know you
are at home again and
together. Strength may come
slowly but it will come
and with it the confi-
dence needed to use the
injured limb. Did I
ever tell you how Sam
used to stand up and
hold out his arms to
me and say "Now all
loney loney this time."
It is almost like learn-
ing to walk all over



again but the joy is
great when the confi-
dence is once gained.
Remember to do little
enough so the well
limb is not strained
in helping the other one.

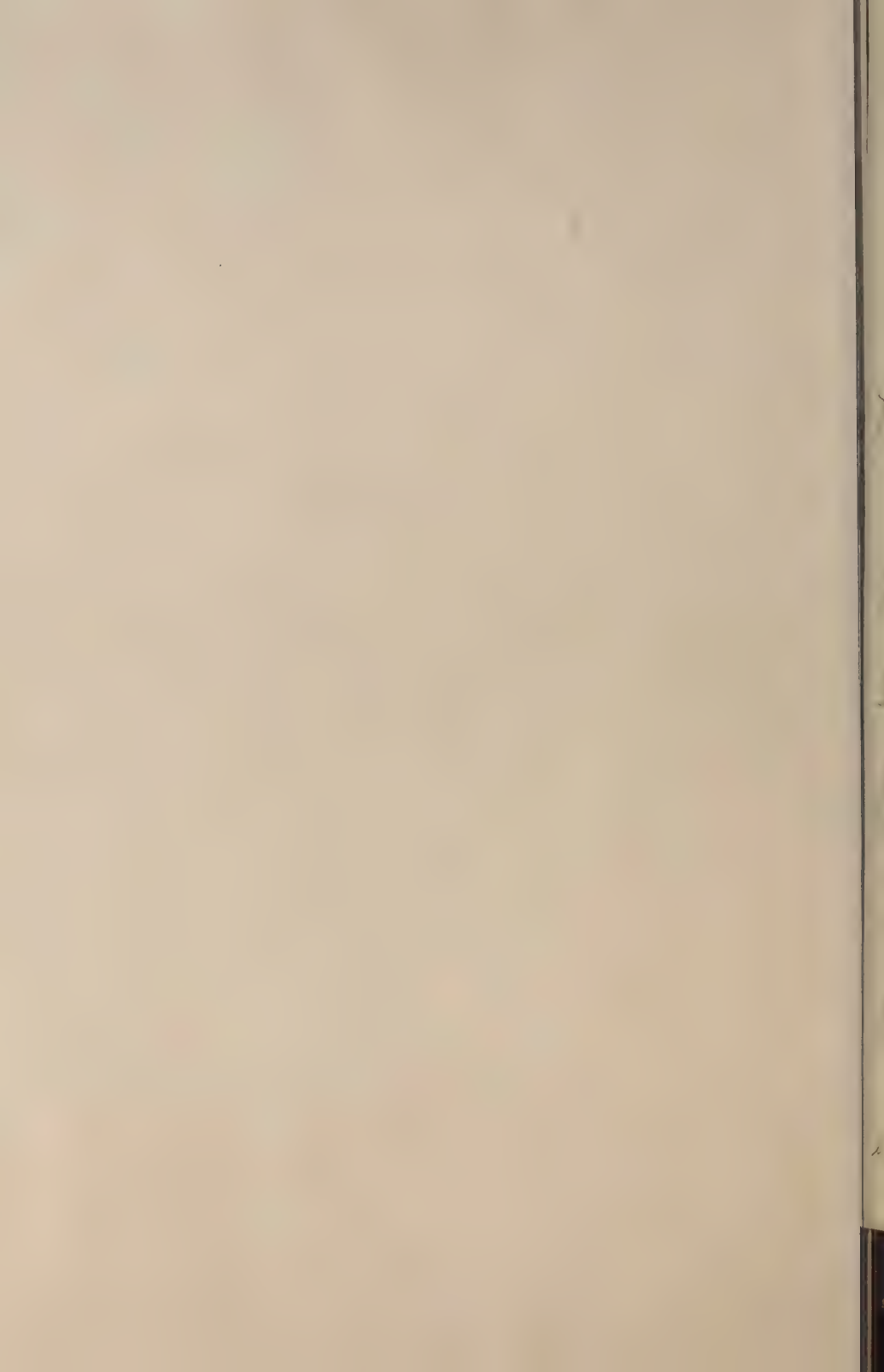
My heart goes out to you
all and to those especially
who watch with Uncle Tom
in his suffering. I can-
not but hope the trial
will not be a long one.

Dear little Mother, I will
you take this for your
birthday letter and just
drink in all the love
it bears to you from
your four children out
here? When the day
comes may it be a
very joyous one in the
dear home with Fatherdy.

Dear Mother
I received your letter
of the 10th and was
glad to hear from
you. I am well and
hope these few lines
will find you the same.
I have not much news
to write at present.
The weather here is
very warm now.
I must close for
this time. Write soon.
Your affectionate son,
John Smith

I wish I could at that
time place in your arms
your little three months
old grandson and have
him smile up into
your face as he does
into mine. But all
this we must imagine
at present and wait
for its fulfillment till
your two little boys are
bigger. When Jamie caught
some tiny fish in the river
he called out "Oh Mama
this is a big little minnow."
So your small grandsons
will be bigger little boys
when you can put your
arms about them.

A happy, happy birthday
to you Grandma dear, is
the loving wish of us all.
Your loving daughter
Alice J. Moffet.



Nov. 23rd, 1908



S.S. KOREA

Yokohama
Sachos
Monday, Morning

My dear Aunt

He are alright.

Baby's cold is no worse -
I think he would be a
little less last night.
Don't you see so strong
and helpful we are
evening together, you

gave me courage and
made me ashamed
of my weakness, but
I could not trust my-
self to talk much for
I knew I should break
down.

Baby is so good - when he
has enough to eat. I have
increased to 7 ounces

and by giving two spoon-
fuls of clear cream each
time and feeding every
three hours day he is
satisfied! How long this
will be enough and what
will be the next advance
I can't think now. I am
sending today for a case
of the Bengo's Food Mac
Miller knows so lightly.
Perhaps one feeding a
day of that will be
more satisfying. Jamie

is trying to be mamma's
helper. Ralph and Jennie
are inseparable and
Ralph is helping me
by crying for Jennie when
they are not together!

I let $\frac{2}{3}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ take Jennie
back and she said he
was good and minded
her so this will help out,
within limits. It is much
wider than in Nobe. We
have extended harbor on a
few banks.

Will write again before we
have part of you Alice.

Burke Nov. 27th 1908

My darling Allie:

What - you
are going thro' these days
in arranging for and
taking this journey!
I came here Oct. 26th -
with Mrs Shaver to wait
upon me, leaving Sing
at home also Francis
with her husband to
come 9 nights - and
sleep in same room
with father, so I was
easy about him. He soon
discharged Sing - and
Francis went home ill
so he was alone again!
However, he found a good

Swedish girl and has been well.
I cannot say much for this unfor-
tunate limb. Dr Burke seems confi-
dent that it can be pulled to within
a half inch of its true length but it
is slow work. Time will reveal but
I can only try. They do not put
me in bed. I go on both crutches
again but am not supposed to put
my weight on the left foot.
The two doctors pull with all of
their force, one down, the other, up
to pull apart the break and over-
come the contraction of the mus-
cles, about two or three times a week.
I wear a weight when walking, also
a heavy weight is attached by pulley
at the foot of the bed. This is applied
six hours or more each night. It is
not painful - only numb and uncom-
fortable. I may not be home when
you arrive, but I shall give direction
to Emma the house maid to have
your room ready with the crib also.
No letter from father yesterday or to-
day - but it was Thanksgiving Day. He

was invited to dine with
Mr. John Boyd whose family
is away. I shall hope
to hear from him by to-
night's mail. My general
health is better but I
have questioned the safety
of staying here thro' the
cold weather (in the
Annex) to go out for treat-
ments. However, I need not
go out every day. A day
in my room is sometimes
safer. We have a fire
and in the main build-
ing the heaters are un-
reliable even in the
halls. My dear little
ones are coming home

and I do hope baby
Charles may be none
the worse for weaning
so early. I have been so
sorry that it should be.
Theodore is no longer
in the office. I may
ask father to ask Mr
Will McPherson to
meet you. I hope father
will not try it.
I do not ask his
help now. Look care-
fully to your luggage
in transferring it
San Francisco. There
has been so much
careless ness write lug-
gage. Keep an eye on
things if you can

and if you give up your checks
to any one - first - copy their
numbers.

I trust you may keep well
my dear and all get home safely.
The Lord has so greatly blessed
us. He continually shows me
so many things to be thankful
for. May He ever be with us
thro' all trying times. A heart full
of love. Grand ma's kiss to little James.
Your loving mother
Martha A. Fish.



S.S. KOREA

Tues. Dec. 5th, 1908.

My dearest Sambo,

All the experience of all the days only make me love you more and make me more thankful that I have your love even though I feel so far away from you. I am hungry for a love letter. Mine always fail

of oppression, but, Dearest, I
love you with all my heart.

At Honolulu, the friends
came three times to the
steamer. All sent regards
to you. Jamie was wild over
his car ride and ~~27~~ 41
found some Koreans to
talk to. They kept her
on shore all night and
she had a fine rest
from the steamer. The

night was very hot and
there were mosquitoes a
plenty.

In the San Rafael Home.

Here we are safe and sound
- arrived Friday 11th at 4 P.M.
To go back - We had a
rough voyage out from Hono-
lulu with three days and
nights of terrific gale. Per-
haps the captain said it
was a hard blow - but it
seemed terrific to me. We
rolled so heavily that at
times I could scarcely keep

my feet in the halls or
climb out to the dining
room, - but I was not sea
sick at all. Could scarce-
ly hold on to everything
long enough to prepare Baby's
milk - once three feedings
slipped away from me. One
of two tall bottles which I
had on top of the washstand
inside a tin rim crashed
down and broke the heavy
wash bowl. Once I went to
lunch leaving $\frac{23}{2}$ and Baby
lying side by side on the

couch and having carefully
secured the ladder against
the berth and tested it.
But it was lifted and
thrown over against them,
27 4, taking the blow on
her arm and shielding Baby.
The last day Thursday, was
more quiet and we entered
without fog, reaching the
dock Friday noon. Father
and Mr McPherson were
there and thanks to the
latters help my baggage
was all transferred quickly
and checked on the ferry
at 2:45. I had no
trouble with the customs.

Baby is a dear little traveler

we had to be wakened to
leave the ship and wait
half an hour over time for
the next loading but he did
not cry. I find Father
looking better than I expect-
ed though a few days ago
he was not well. He is
suffering very much with
his feet - I must see what
can be done with softer
shoes. Mother writes that her
general health is better but
she cannot say so much
for the limb. She plans to
come down the day before
Christmas.

I am dreadfully tired ^{and}
feel it more than ever today

Wish I could have one
nights sleep. Poor ²¹ 41 did
not have one meal and
scarcely lifted her head
at leaving Honolulu - but
she is alright now.

Before we reached Hono-
lulu there was a heavy
storm which destroyed trees
here and there. There also
there was a heavy rain
storm a few days ago -
following a long dry sea-
son.

The Swedish girl, Emma, in
the kitchen is a good cook,
and altogether quite a
treasure I think.

Oh dearest how I want

you. I am afraid I am
very homesick tonight. Yes
I know it is right to be
here and I am glad and
thankful the long journey
is over, but I cannot
make my heart stay here.

I should have had a
letter ready in you as
we landed but found
my hands so full it was
impossible.

Good night, dearest, -
Father sends love and I
all my heart full.

Your

Wm.

San Rafael, Friday Dec. 15th 1905.

My dear husband,

Just a week today since we arrived. It has been very full but yet restful because nothing has to be rushed and I have had more sleep at night. For two days and nights after arrival - I was wretched with severe headache. At first I thought it was relaxation from the strain - then I remembered the coffee which kept me up on the steamer. Now I am feeling much better and more rested every day. Twenty four hours after reaching the house came a telephone message asking me to serve as official interpreter in the Stevens' case for at least \$10. a day! The attorney was polite but persistent, - he was worse than a newspaper reporter to get away from, - and would scarcely take \$5. It seems they have both Japanese and Koreans serving as interpreters but do not trust them and want some one to put a check on them. It would be unbusinesslike work at best - I imagine and no telling how long or how demanding. They tried to say

for a special nurse for the children in addition
to my No. 1! There are two Korean boys in the
Chinese mission here and I had prompt calls
from three from the City. One of them
connected with the 공 신 보 was greatly distressed
because ²² 41 wore her Korean costume here in the
house. He mentioned the matter while here and
next day wrote me a very strong letter urging
me to forbid her dressing in white. She does
not go on the street in Korean clothing but here
at home I tell her to wear it if she wishes.

One of the boys told me there were 20 Koreans re-
ceived here, ^{S. T.} in baptism, ^{this} last year and that in
different places in America there are 60 Korean
students in College, University and Seminary courses.

Mr White the pastor is certainly putting new
activity into this church but just where he stands
doctrinally I am not sure as yet. His statement
concerning the atonement last Sabbath was not
wrong but seemed lacking to me. However, with
the New Year he takes up some special studies
in Acts and the Epistles and I asked the
privilege of a little private study with him

in preparation for training class work in the Eccles.
I called on Miss Messis and heard about Miss Walker
and have from Miss Walker's books one which Josephine gave her.

Jamie boy is slowly becoming accustomed to new conditions - slowly he is learning to obey and to play with other children. There have been three outbreaks of crying this week which I could not account for at the time. I thought perhaps he was over excited from so many new things and events and people, but now I believe it came, in part at least, from too strong food - he has had scraped steak and a banana every day until yesterday. He gets on both very hard - but I think they have been too strong for him. The Carr children next door are lovely to him, but it was several days before he would go with them without me. It is "Mama you come" all day long, - he is my little shadow and even holds my skirt fast as I go about the house. This will wear off in time and all too soon I may find that the children are wearing him away from me. I am not trying to shake him off but I do want him to learn, for his own comfort

to be at ease and happy with their children. This morning we went with Helen and David Carr to the closing exercises of their kindergarten. The songs and games, the freedom and activity of the children were all new to Jamie and seemed to surprise him. Before we started he did not like the idea of going to school, even to visit, but on the way home he said "Mama, let's go home to lunch and come right back." David is a little more than a year older. Robert Lethbridge went driving with us one morning and played with Jamie in the afternoon. He is 6 yrs. old and a very nice boy. Robert and David and Morris Cox, son of Prof. Cox the new Supt. of Schools here, are the companions I choose for Jamie. Morris is nearly six. Perhaps they are too old for him, but John Lethbridge and Morris' little sister are about Jamie's age and they too can join the circle. Jamie misses Papa dreadfully - he wants to send for you or go back and get you and this morning he suggested that I should go to P.V. and do Papa's work and let him come here for a while. These months here will mean so much to Jamie. I can see a struggle every day to adjust himself and take in new things. Obedience is very difficult - he is a bundle of resistance. With every command I must be prepared to drop everything and follow it up. My problem now is how to keep

him outdoors enough when I have so much to do.
Baby is still trying to care for his new feeding.
The first result of the change to cow's milk was
constipation but now I am regulating that by adding
a small amount of Mellin's Food. The milk is very
rich but I am still using the weak formula with
which I began. I have not yet weighed him but he
seems to be filling out a little and is sleeping from
10 P.M. to 5 A.M. without feeding. When I bathe him he
begins to chuckle as I take his little shirt off and
chuckles at every touch as if I were tickling him. In
the water legs and arm fly and scatter water all over
us. When he comes out and lies on my lap he grabs
his toe and puts it in his mouth and if both hands
hold it there it is all I can do to get it away.
He lives in the sunshine in the big front bedroom
and out on the upper verandah. At midday the sun
is sometimes so hot out there that he lies in his
basket without any covering and with hands as warm
as toast. There are some compensations, Dearest, in
this separation - there are advantages to the children
though it is a very great loss to Jamie not to
have you just now. Oh, how I wonder some times
what you would do - when I cannot get him to
mind or to even come to me. Force does no good.
I wait and insist and do nothing until he
yields.

Sabbath evening. Father has gone to Church and $\$41$
to the Mission to study with Etta Shaver. I am alone
with the sleeping children. The Christmas service in
the Church this morning was a beautiful one. All
the S.S. children occupied the central seats and each
brought a gift for the children of the orphanage and
placed it in a manger in front of the pulpit.

Our home plan is to have a very simple tree
for Jamie for an hour Thurs. eve inviting the Van-
ning children and Emma Gray so that he can see
joy the candles and popcorn and candy with them
and give something to each, - then he can hang
up his stocking and receive his toys to play with
all day Christmas. Mother writes that she will
come home Wed. eve (23rd) and that will make
Christmas for us all.

Monday morning - Just time to send a heart full of
love to you this morning - and let Fatherly take my letter.
Yours to Father written in P.F. Nov. 14 reached here four days
after we did! A letter from Dr Brown tells me of your
appointment to Edinburgh in 1910! We all three send
kisses to Papa. Father sends love. My greetings to all
in Station and to Korean friends.

Yours
Alice.

San Rafael,

Christmas Day, 1908.

My own Dearest,

Last evening we had the Christmas tree for Jamie, and it was a beauty, not laden, but a large beautiful tree filling the corner windows of the parlor and bright with candles, balls and fruit. We had a five o'clock supper and soon after five thirty came the Yarning children from across the way.

Emma Gray from the little white cottage on the corner and the four Carr children from next door. All gathered in the dining room and then I said to Jamie "Now take David's hand and see if you two can find a Christmas tree in the parlor."

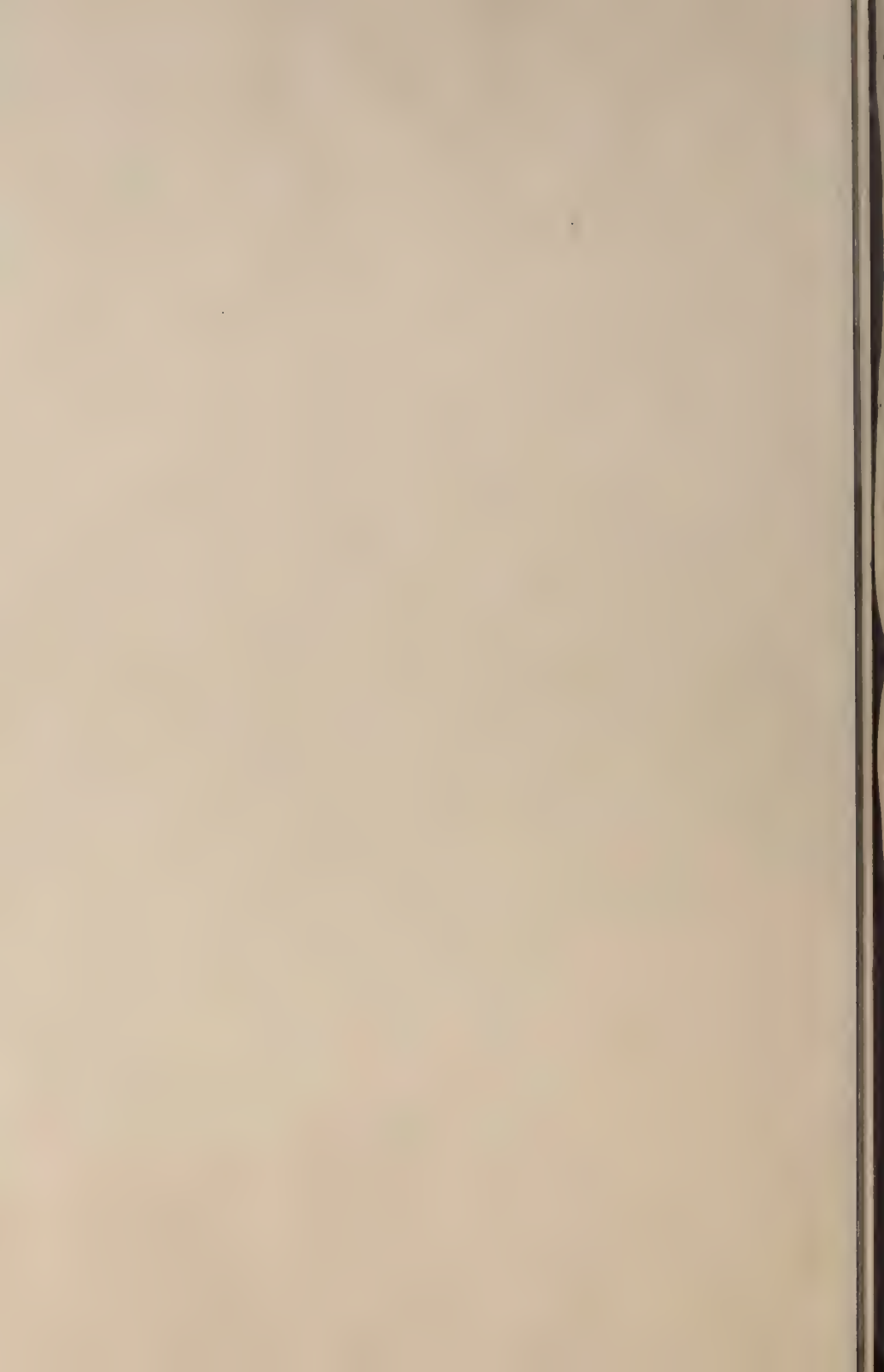
They led the way and we all followed. Jamie had been excited all day in prospect of his tree but as usual he suppressed it and as he opened the door and saw all the lighted candles he said to David in a most matter of fact tone "There tis."

Nevertheless he was all on wires for the rest of the hour and enjoyed it all intensely. He had a small present, a candy bag, an orange and an apple for each child and Jamie distributed them all. Then we sang two songs and after a few minutes fun the children went home. Then Jamie and I hung up Baby's stocking and his own and finally a very tired and happy little boy tumbled into bed.

This morning we had 9 o'clock
breakfast as there was plenty
of time for emptying the
stockings and enjoying all
the gifts together beforehand.
Jamie's gift from Papa was
the cast iron train of cars
which delights him beyond
everything else. He received three
balls, a horn, a bubble pipe, reins,
a tracing slate, a toy auto, three
books, three boxes of candy etc. -
I may have forgotten something.

Now to go back - Last Tuesday
I took Jamie to the city

to see the Christmas stores
and the toy department at
the new Emporium was cer-
tainly a marvel. We saw a
big elephant on rockers! and
horses, donkeys, dogs, sheep
etc of all sizes. Dolls and
doll furniture and mechani-
cal toys filling aisle after aisle.
Then we had a restaurant lunch,
did a little shopping and came
home. The street cars, ferry^{and}
chu chu cars delighted Jannie
quite as much as the toys.
He was a very good boy
and had such a happy day



Next day, Wed, Grandma came home, Thue.
we had our own tree and today Jamie has
played happily with his toys all day.

Sabbath evening.

Yesterday afternoon 2월 21 went to the City with
the Koreans here in town to attend the Christmas
celebration at the Korea Mission. She had a
Korean meal, met many Koreans (there are
about 30 in the Mission) and came back at
2 A.M. with seven small gifts. There are three
- two men and one woman - at work here in
town.

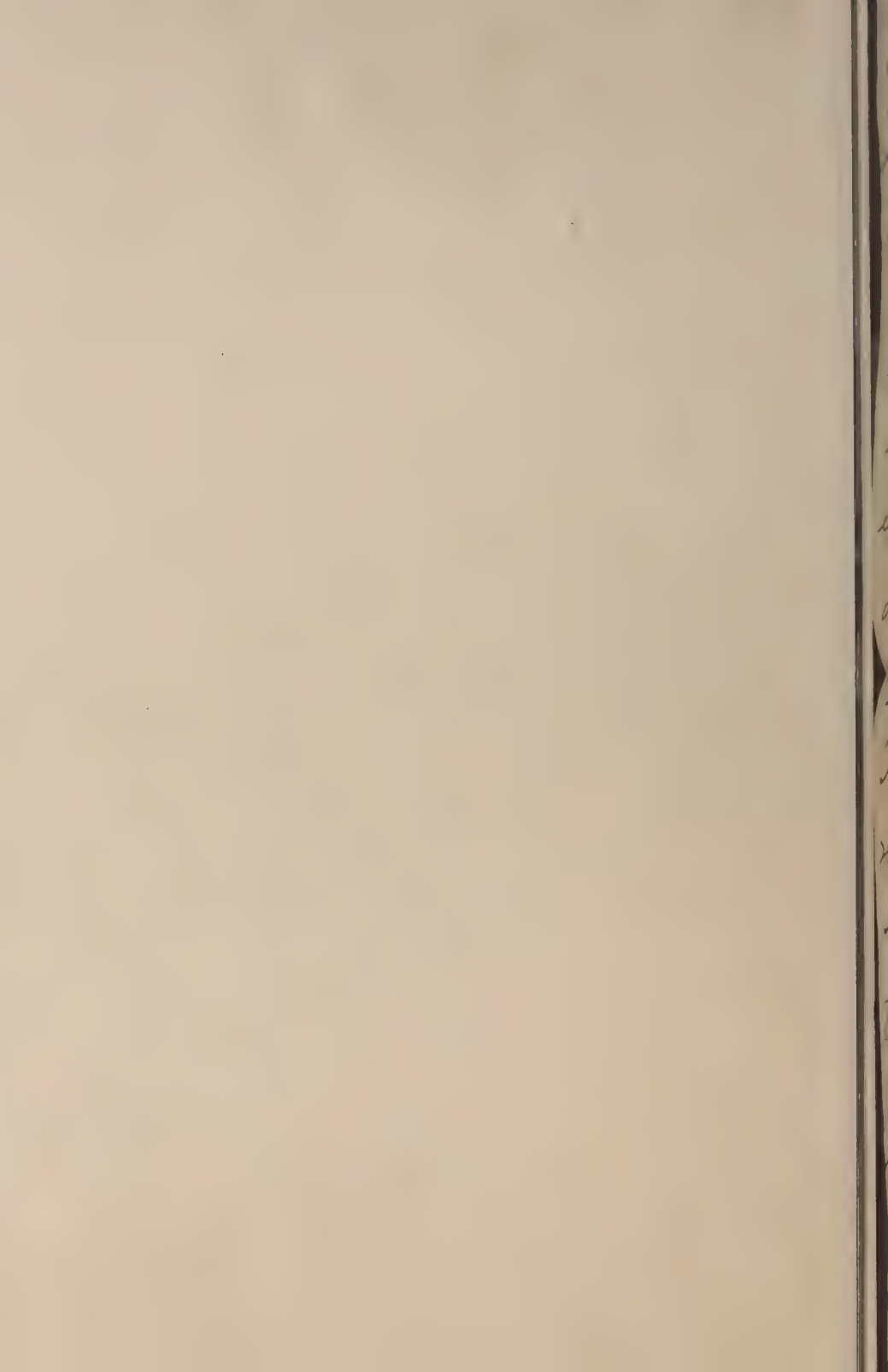
Last evening Mr and Mrs White called. Mr.
White is much liked in the Church. He has or-
ganized a men's club which is very popular.
In the East he was a close friend in the
Heron family; knew Dr. Heron's father and mother
and all the family well.

Mother has gained very much and is gain-
ing steadily in general health. She is much
thinner than when we left here, but is bright,
cheerful and quite comfortable, suffering no
pain, though she goes about very slowly

and carefully on her crutches bearing no weight on the injured limb. The stretching seems to be gradually overcoming the contraction of the muscles, at least. She does not think it affects the bone at all and Dr. withholds his opinion as yet. The limb is twisted now and much shortened but both of these could be overcome if sufficient bony union can be obtained. This is still a question. His one reply is, "I would not let you stay here if I did not think

it could be done." I have not yet seen him.

Baby has taken another cold during the past dark, rainy days and is not so bright as usual. He will blossom out when the sun comes again. I have just put the children to bed, and when I told Jamie I was going down stairs to write to Papa he said "Send Papa some white ice-cream kisses for me, and Mama kiss the paper." So here they are ○ ○ ○ ○ ○



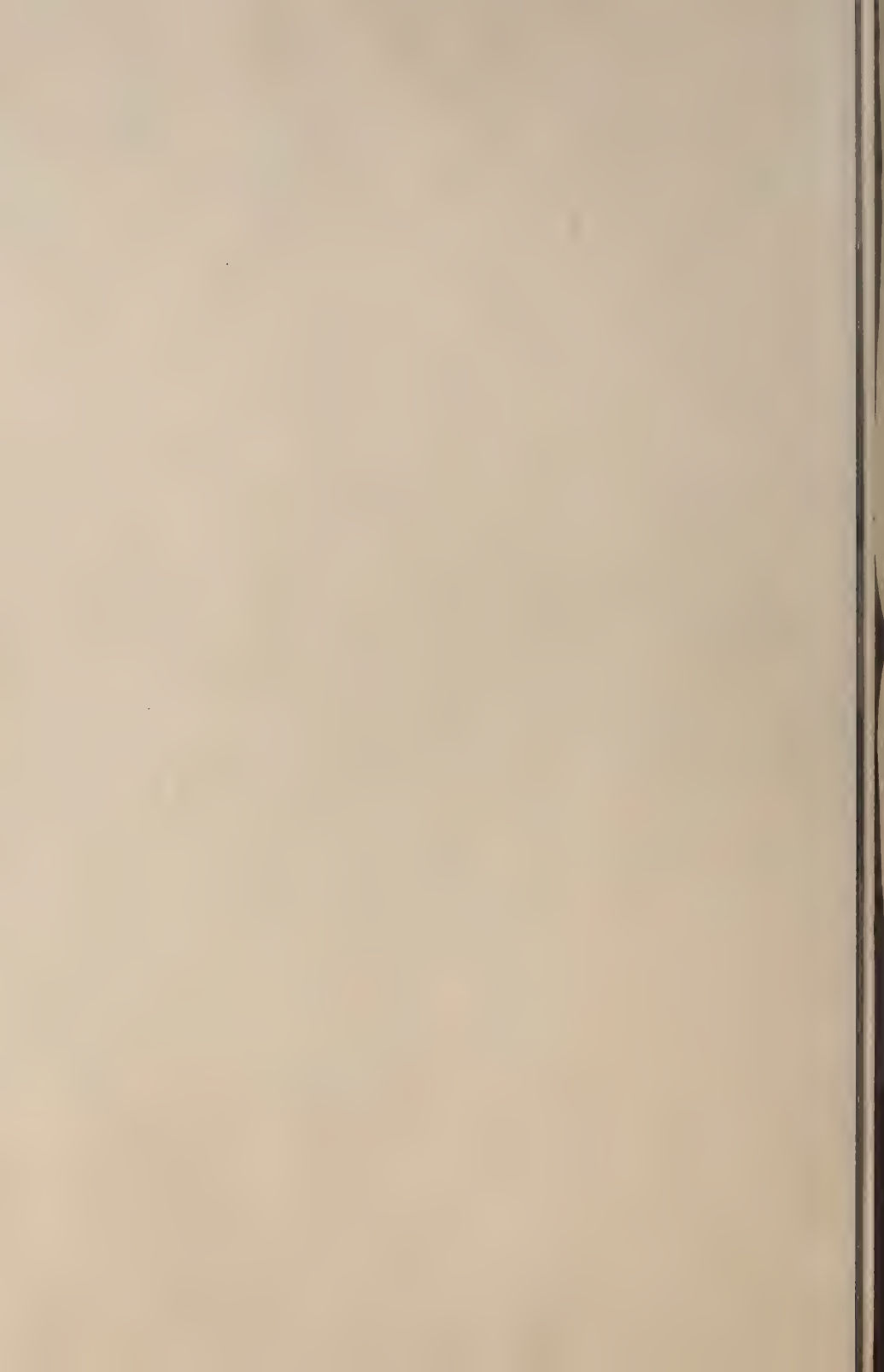
Ever since Jamie had a saucer of ribbon ice cream on the steamer he has had three kinds of kisses - white, pink and chocolate ice cream kisses. One evening on the steamer Jamie led a great game of tag with four other children aged 5, 7, 9, & 13. He was "it" for half an hour and kept them all running, while I guarded the staircases in the bow. At last he became so excited that I had to stop him and take him down to bed. The boy of thirteen said to me afterwards, "Jamie has chased me till I'm tired out. He runs into the dark corners as if they were not there and never thinks of being afraid." At Honolulu I heard of the success of the wireless telegraph between there and Sitka and of wireless telephony among the islands and between Honolulu and the ships at sea.

So often Jamie says "We wish we could see Papa." And oh how much we do wish it. How much I want you and need you, dearest, at every turn. It will not do to live apart and I am apt

to be restless because the time
is indefinite. But I, too, am
going to be cheerful. There is cer-
tainly a work for me here now^{2d}
I know the Lord will work out
what is best for us. When I
came, Fatherdy was just like
Jamie, as undemonstrative^{2d}
casual as if he had seen
us the day before, but when
we were at home, the first
time I placed Baby Charles
in his arms he broke down.
I said "That is what I have
waited for, Father, - to have

you see your namesake."

"Yes" he said "I wanted to see him, but I wanted my baby more. I've been praying for this and now my prayer is answered." Three times he has spoken quite freely of a desire to go home, saying once "I never go to bed at night without thinking what a joy it would be to wake up beyond." Memory fails him so completely that he often repeats the exact sen-



time of a moment before as if for the first time. Yet he is strong and well physically and would not spare himself if the Doctor did not order him to be careful.

June 29th.

Yesterday good letters came from Mother Moffatt and Susie and a Christmas package from Howard and Ella; - a mother-goose bed spread for Jamie, dainty white embroidered shoes for Babykins and a beautiful photo of Elizabeth for you and me. This morning Mother returned to Burke, Emma Gray going with her. Doctor gives her no idea of time but her own thought is to try the treatment for two months longer. Jamie and Baby have both taken severe colds. Baby coughed hard last night. The weather is cold and damp and foggy - no sunshine for days. If it were not for this I planned to leave Baby for the day and take Jamie with me, to help Mother on the trip, but I must watch them both

closely. Emma Johnson, the
Swedish girl in the kitchen
is a treasure. A good cook
and manager and very help-
ful. \$40. a month! Our former
chinaman is now getting \$60.

Everything seems very high to me. But-
ter 60¢ a square (1/2 lb.) - eggs 60¢
a dozen, - milk 10¢ a qt. - turkey
30-40¢ a lb. I bought mutton for
Christmas dinner in preference to
turkey. Jamie's shoes were hurting
his feet so I bought a pair of
No 10. When we came home Jamie
handed me the old ones and said
with much satisfaction "Now these
are for Charles!" All my love and ^{many}
kisses from us all. Yours Abigail



S.S. KOREA

Wed. Eve. 25th 88.

My own Dearest

We are fairly
started now across the great
water. The wind has gone
down and the air is warmer
than yesterday. This afternoon
the sun came out before we
left harbor and shone right
into our cabin. How glad
I was for that creek of
sunshine. I hold it like

head and shoulders in it
to warm him up.

Jamie came down from
the deck today and inform-
ed me that when the
black smoke comes out
the steamer goes; and
when the white smoke
comes out the whistle blows.
I wonder if some one
told it to him.

Friday P.M. - Yesterday was dismal and rainy but a little warmer. There was Thanksgiving service in the morning and Janni went to "Church" with Ralph while I cared for Baz.

Today we have a very heavy wind and high seas. There is much excitement over the waves.

The storage deck has been several feet under water (2003) and the spray dashes on the hurricane deck. Mr.

Miller and Ralph have been
sick and 謙子 is sick all
the time - has scarcely lifted
her head since we left
Yokohama. Jamie and I
are alright - we like the
rolling and both have
splendid appetites. I find
not a minute for rest and
very little for sleep but
am standing it so far.

Poor 謙子 is distressed that
she cannot help at all.

Jamie says the candy



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Grandpa sent goes to make
kisses to give back to
Grandpa. He says I am
to write and tell Papa that
he is trying hard to re-
member and "tell Mama"
every time. He has not
failed once since we left
Kobe.

Saturday P.M. 4:30

Still we are rolling and
tumbling and pitching in

a very heavy sea - clouds ^{and}
high wind but no rain. I
never saw such waves be-
fore. Many are sick but I
have not a qualm and
Jamie still wants to eat
all the time unless con-
stantly amused. Of course
23 41 is still sick but Dr
gave her medicine which
has helped her to retain
a little food today.

Last night was most
trying for me - no sleep
until after two o'clock ^{and}
then only about two hours.
Already it is coming to be
just a question of physical
endurance, and yet it
is far from what it might
be. Baby still continues
to cough and sneeze but
aside from his cold he
is perfectly well. Oh, dearest,
how I do want to rest
in your arms and hear

you say "Ehli." And you,
how you would like to
hear "Papa" from a big
boy and take a small
boy in your arms. But
still we are thankful
for our man's blessings
and would not go back
over one of the days.

June, the second. Yesterday,
June, the first was our
first day of calm sea
and sunshine. The past
few days have been too



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busy even for a line, and I cannot record all the incidents. Saturday night I had my first catastrophe with Baby's feedings - have been making them up for 12-3-6 A.M. and sending to the ice-box. This time the bottle could not be found and I had over an hour of kitchen work at midnight. Then only a nap before daylight.

Next event was with the
6 P.M. feeding when a bottle
broke on Baby's chest, wetting
him to the skin. Then the
things to be done were to
dress Baby, make another
feeding, dress Jamie and
myself and take him to
the children's table, all in
five minutes. If we are
late for the children's
meal we are round by

scolded by the China boys.
There is the faint hope I
had that the sea air
might give Jamie a nap
in the day time! On the
contrary it seems stimula-
ting so that he seldom
sleeps before 8 or 8:30 and
I must work hard to waken
him at 6:30 for breakfast.
Mr and Mrs Miller are so
good about taking him on
deck for me - I think he
must be a trial to them
at times for the stammer

is really not large enough
for him and he wants to
be all over it within ten
minutes. There has to be a
good deal of "Don't, Jamie"
these days. Baby still de-
mands a feeding every three
hours and the lack of a
longer interval is telling on
his digestion. On Monday he
began with a slight diarrhea
- three times a day - and I
think frequent feeding is
the cause. He coughed hard
at night and raised thick
phlegm and I think this

of true joy.
Kissie from
Jamie and
Baby and
all my love



S. S. KOREA

Yours
Auntie.

comes from the cereal and
sugar in the food. He is
losing a little flesh but is
not yet thin and is strong
and happy, crying very
little and sleeping well at
night, if fed regularly -
but he will not wait more
than three hours. $\frac{27}{41}$ is
better - she has been up
on deck twice and is
able to hold Baby a little.

We have a pleasant company at the
Doctor's table; - Mr and Mrs Miller, Dr
and Mrs Jones, Mrs Hagin and daughter
of the Christian Church, Tokyo, Dr Duke
and myself. Among the conundrums
and stories here are a couple.

If you turn the X ray on a loge
lunge what will you see? The
seat of his pants. What is the
difference between opium and Ab-
raham? The juice of the poppy -
the papa of the Jews.

A man out of work in the city was
sent by Gen. Booth to one of his
reservations and the foreman

said to him, "Here, take this pail
and stool and go and milk that
cow." Some time later he returned
red and blustering with only the
stool and said, "Sure I've tried
for two hours and I can't make
her sit down on this yet!"

Friday Dec. 4th.

Honolulu Harbor. Mr and Mrs Reedy
with a friend of theirs were on the
wharf as we arrived and it was
with difficulty I followed out my
resolve to stay on board with Baby.

I have yielded to Mr and Mrs Miller
and let them take Jamie and ^{my} 41
for a car ride. Mrs Reedy will re-
turn for another visit at 5 P.M.

We leave at 9 tomorrow morning.

Mrs Trecher has returned by an

earlier steamer. Baby is well but
a little thinner and is not eating
so well since we entered hot weather.
He has no diarrhea now.
Janne is perfectly well and so
active that he is on wires every
minute. I am well - only very
tired. Just a week more - but to
look forward it seems like a
month. I am thankful all the
time for the blessings of the voy-
age - they are so many. I believe
I am thankful most of all for
Baby's health and strength and
endurance and that I have ^{strength}
for what has to be done. Dearest,
I love you with all my heart. The
more I see of people of the world
the more thankful I am for our
love, our life and our home. May
your Christmas be merry and full